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- 1.—The Competition is confined exclusively to amateur photographers.
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- 4.—The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.
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- 12.—Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
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#### DONATIONS IN MEMORY OF DROWNED CHILDREN

A total of \$1,346,233.84 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the South China Morning Post, Ltd. The latest donations are:

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New York, Sept. 25. Mackay Radio to-day intercepted a message from the British steamship Sulairia which stated: "Torpedoed at 11.30 a.m. G.M.T. Latitude 53.43 north, longitude 20.10 west."

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THE FINCHER BROTHERS, R.C. and R.P., were the only Kowloon C.C. pair able to take a set in the C.R.C. R.C.C. "A" Division tennis match yesterday, beating W.C. Hung and Tsui Wai-pui 6-2.

The Chinese, however, trounced their hosts 8 sets to 1.

Scores were: R.C. and R.P. Fincher beat W. Hung and Tsui Wai-pui 6-2; lost to Tsui Wai-pui and Lee Wai-long 1-6; lost to P. Kong and Ho Kai-lau 1-6.

A. E. P. Guest and S. A. Gray lost to Hung and Tsui 1-6; lost to Lam and Lee 1-6; lost to Kong and Ho 1-6.

A. Crawford and F. Zimmern lost to Hung and Tsui 0-6; lost to Tsui and Lee 4-6; lost to Kong and Ho 2-6.

#### "C" DIVISION

In a C Division game Chinese beat Recello 9-0.

N. A. Beltrino and P. Botelho lost to F. K. Lau and W. K. Ma 1-6; lost to C. Wei and O. L. Pang 3-0.

E. A. R. Alves and P. A. Yvanovich lost to Lau and Chiu 3-0; lost to Lam and Ma 3-6; lost to Wei and Pang 5-7.

R. M. Soares and J. M. Oliveira lost to Lau and Chiu 0-6; lost to Lam and Ma 0-6; lost to Wei and Pang 0-6.

#### Inter Hong Water-Polo

The following have been selected to represent the Combined Hong and a European Y.M.C.A. team at water-polo in tomorrow night's Inter-Hong swimming gala in the European Y.M.C.A. pool:

Combined Hong—Blechynden (A.P.C.), A. Bern and Precourt (Doddwell), Corrick (Jardine's), D. H. Stewart (Doddwell), N. Hammond (Jardine's) and P. Wilson (Doddwell).

Y.M.C.A.—N. O'Brien, B. H. Jordan and H. Maynard, R. Goldman, F. Willis, E. F. Paul and O. Thompson.

#### Soccer Games To-day

A friendly soccer game between the senior teams of the Sing Tao Sports Club and the Police will be held to-day on the Police ground at Boundary Street, kick-off at 5 p.m. The teams are:

Police—Taylor, Parker, Blackburn, Pope, Gough, North, Wong Man-kwai, Hackett, Gordon, Ferrier and Most.

Sing Tao—Cheung Wing-tai, Li Ting-sang, Mak Shu-hing, Kwok Ying-ki, Leung Wing-ching, Soong Lam-ning, Choi Ah-fai, Hau Ching-to, Lai Shu-wing, Cheung Kam-lut, Fung King-cheung and Chung Yung-sun.

#### NAVY V EASTERN

The Royal Navy also meet the Eastern at Causeway Bay at 5 p.m.

#### Hockey Meeting

The Hongkong Hockey Umpires' Association will hold a meeting at St. Andrew's Church Hall to-morrow, September 27 at 8 p.m. All umpires are requested to attend.

#### New Zealand Army Appointment

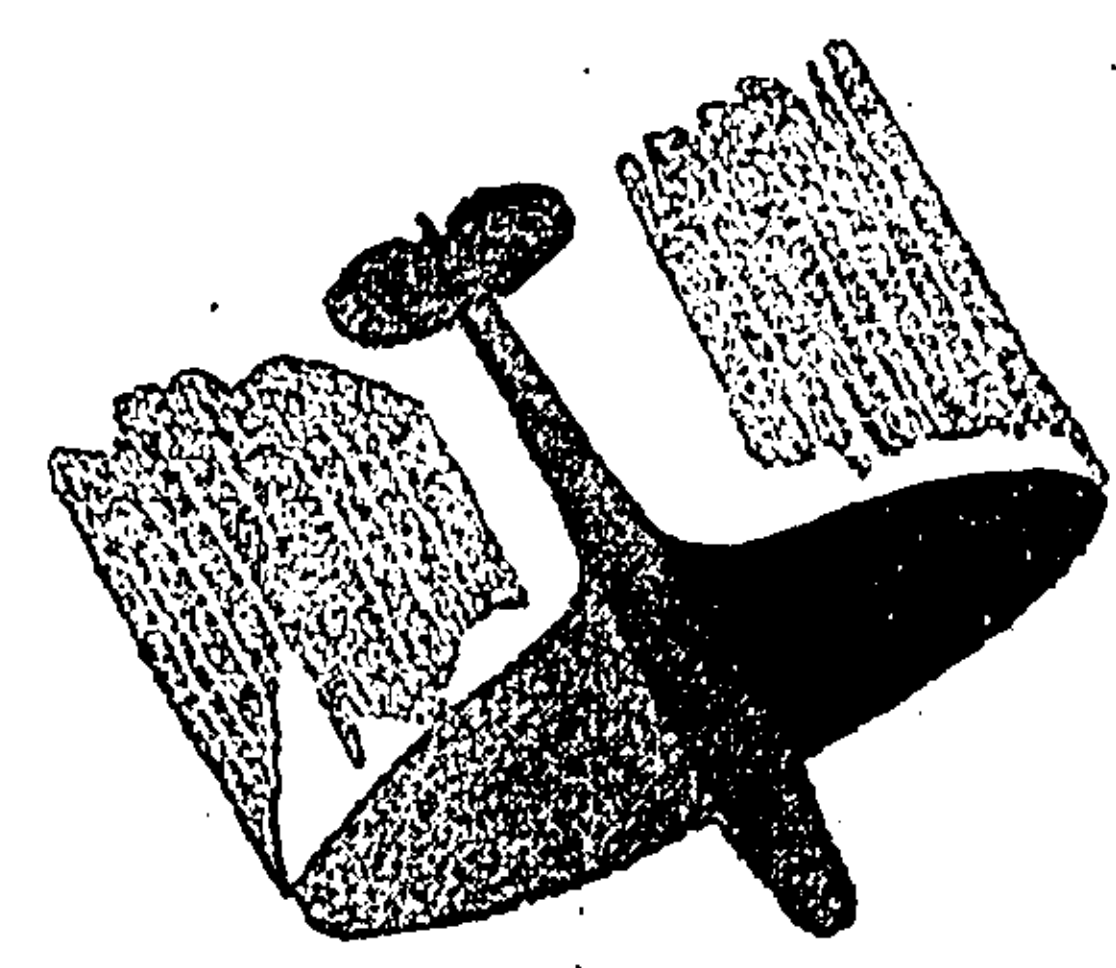
WELLINGTON, Sept. 25 (Reuter). Major-General Sir Andrew Russell, participated in the Dardanelles campaign has been appointed Inspector-General of the New Zealand military forces.

#### Canada Building 20 More Air Centres

Work will start at once on twenty more R.C.A.F. air training and construction works, at a cost of £2,786,000. It was announced in Ottawa by the Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Munitions and Supply.

Work on flying training schools and R.C.A.F. stations in all parts of Canada will be nearly finished by September, and none later than October.

Much of this work was originally planned for next year, but is being rushed to completion under the speeding up of the war aviation programme.



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(Readers are invited to send in suggestions to fill this space.)

## Food Assured For Britain

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—"If you can't have one thing, I will give you another," Lord Woolton, Minister of Food, told the nation in a broadcast to-night.

He warned the people that they must not expect all things to choose from in the second year of war that they had in the first year.

Assuring the nation that there would be enough to eat, Lord Woolton said that we had stored for to-day and for the days to come.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued yesterday says: Prices were unchanged for this morning's short session, with a small turnover in Providents at \$4.55. It is reported that the following dividends have been declared in the Manila Gold Mining issues.

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China Lights (New)	\$4
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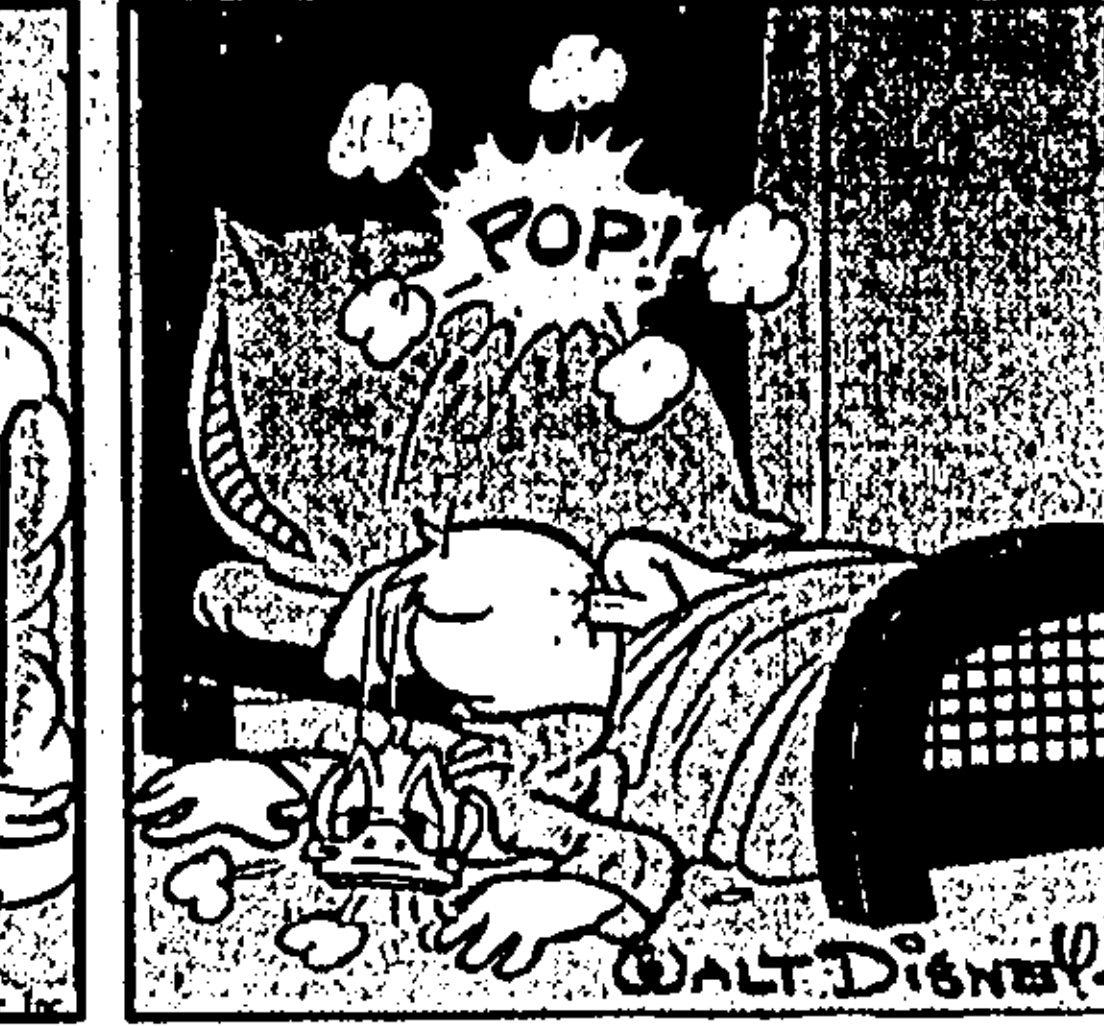
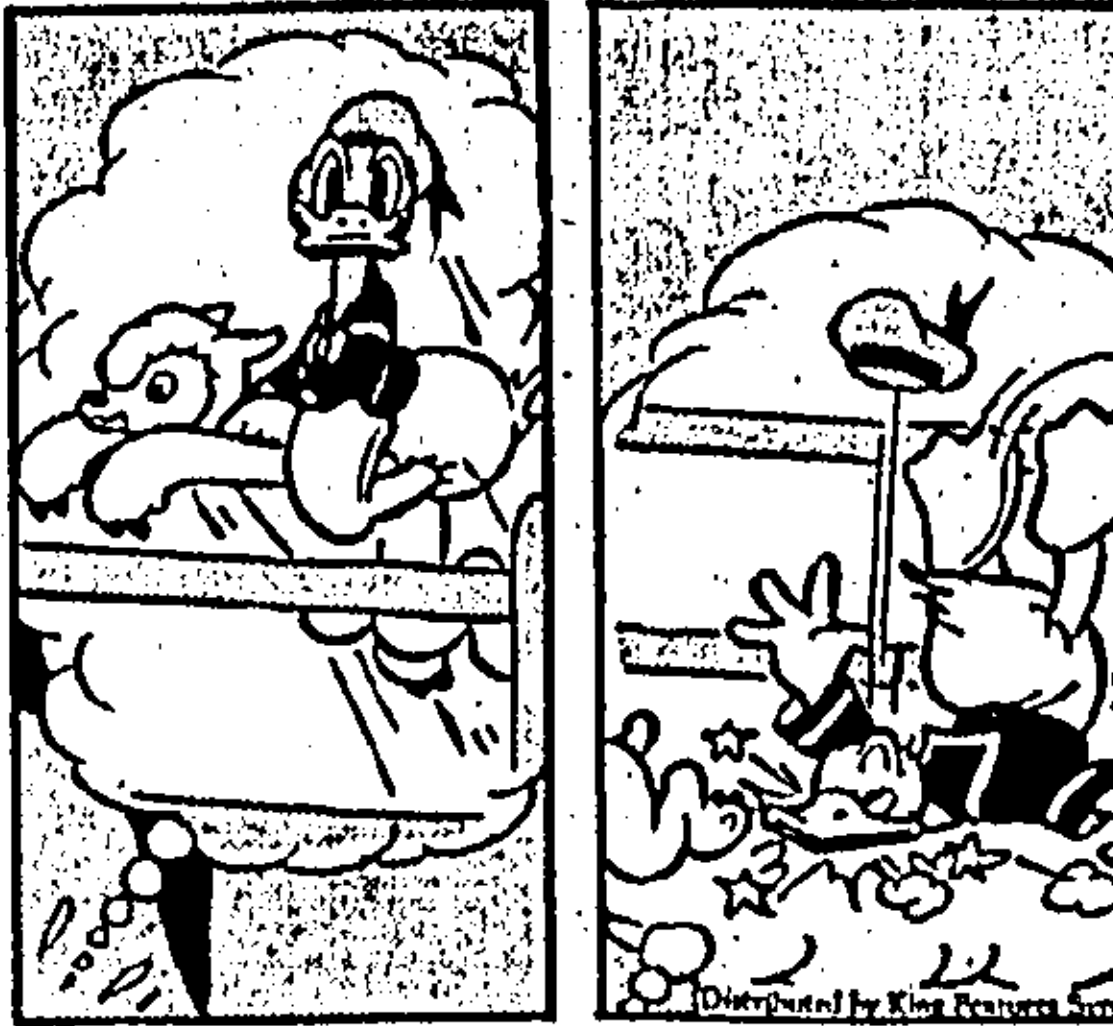
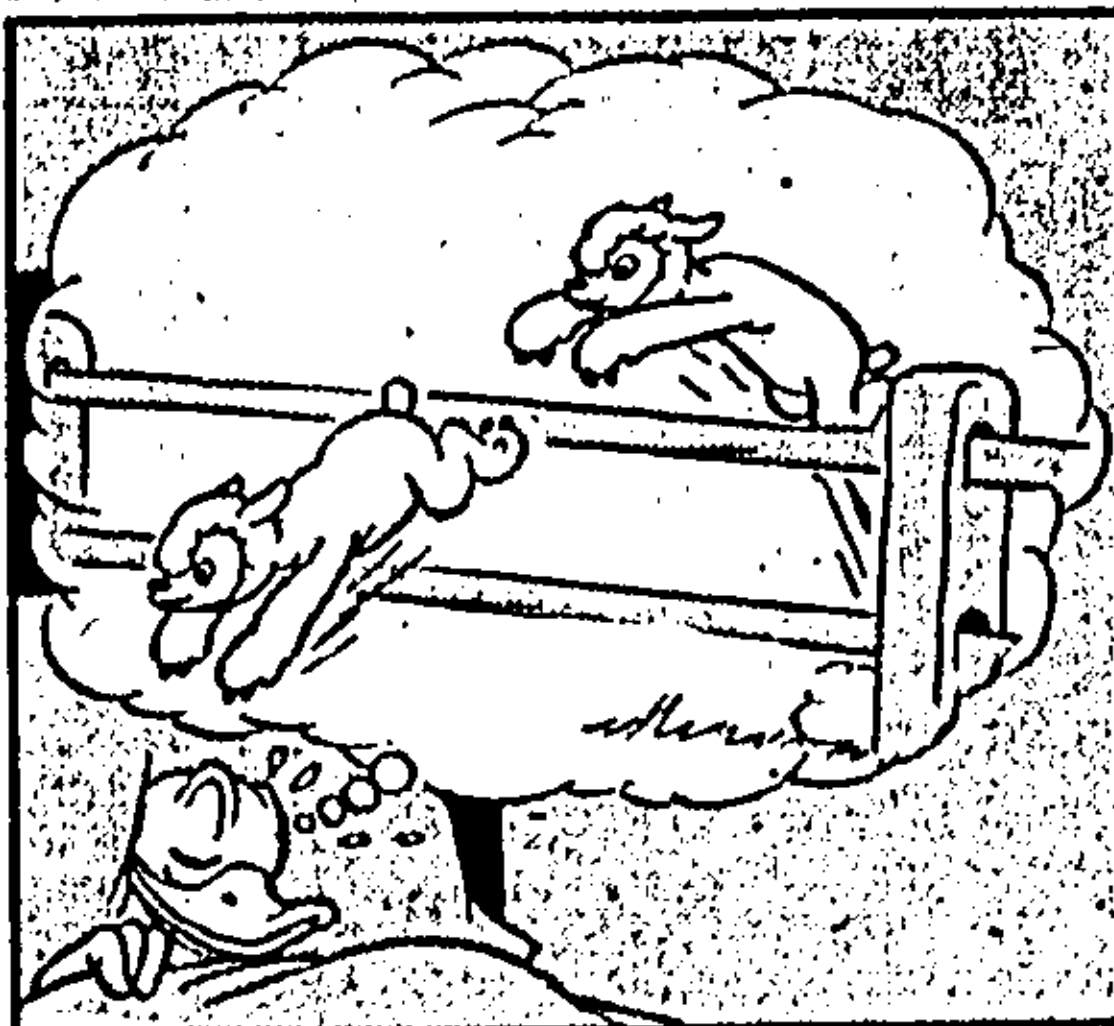
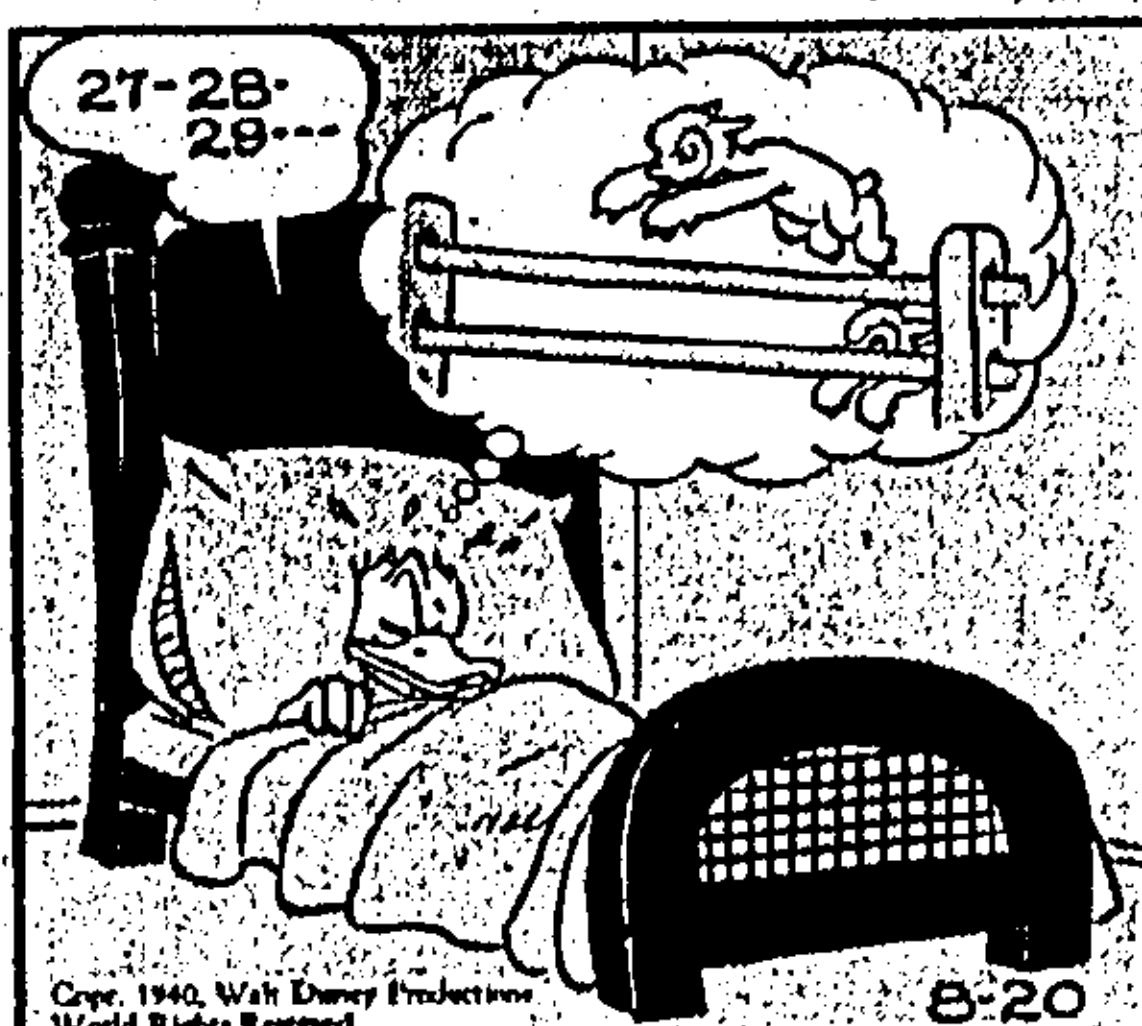
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## DOUBTS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

By HILAIRE BELLOC

WE are all clear by this time on the central point of any military business, which central point is a knowledge of the enemy's mind. In proportion as we are right on that we are on the way to victory; in proportion to our error upon the enemy's mind we are on the way to suffering surprise and consequent defeat.

Now the most important document we have at the moment for discovering the enemy's mind is the declaration issued by him to the effect that he had abandoned the project of invasion and had fallen back upon a policy of attrition.

He now proposes (or says he proposes) the wearing down of this country by his efforts at blockade and his attacks on our shipping.

This declaration may have one of two contradictory objects, and proceed from one of two opposite motives. It may have for its object a ruse to deceive his opponents and put them off their guard, or it may have for its object the real information which it purports to give.

Its motive may be to deceive; or it may be inspired by that strange policy of full statement to which the enemy has resorted before, and the value and meaning of which will be discussed in a moment. Our first business, then, is to

decide which of these two mutually exclusive characters attaches to this momentous declaration.

### For and Against

We cannot be certain of making a right decision upon this. Even if we arrive at a right decision on what the enemy intends by his declaration and on what effect he desires to achieve by it, the enemy himself might change his intention in the future. But what we can do is to weigh the arguments for and against either hypothesis.

The arguments in favour of this public avowal of abandoning the project of invasion being a ruse are simple and should be clear to all. Since the beginning of recorded warfare the deception of an opponent with the object of furthering one's chances of surprise has been a main part of military policy.

The first conclusion to which anyone will come on hearing that his enemy has proclaimed such and such an intention is to decide that he does in fact entertain another intention. In other words, the first and most obvious conclusion on this important declaration is to regard it as a blind.

But there are arguments on the other side to be considered. The strongest of these

is the fact that the enemy's General Staff has, from the time of its founding under Frederick the Great allowed this element of open revelation to play some part in its scheme side by side with outrageous lying.

Why does the enemy adopt this occasional policy of revealing his general plans? His main reason would seem to be the confidence which the carrying out of the plan produces.

It breeds confidence in his own forces, and it makes those opposed to him say to themselves, "When the enemy told us, on such and such an occasion, what he was going to do and the general lines which he proposed to follow, all went according to plan and he succeeded. Therefore, now that he is threatening this or that, he will probably succeed again."

Another motive for this singular method—in the use of which the enemy is unique—is the establishment of a bond between his armed forces and those who command them. Napoleon appreciated that bond—the value of taking his troops into his confidence—and more than once, notably during his early career in Italy, it was his mainstay.

### Method of Attrition

Further a decision to abandon direct attack and rely

upon attrition would, as things now are, be reasonable; the period most favourable for attack is past and the maintenance of enemy communications over sea becomes daily more hazardous. Lastly there is the enormous growth of expenditure and the menace of such a liability to a commercial state.

It may be, then, that the probability lies in favour of this declaration being straightforward, that the enemy has determined to switch over from the aim of invasion to the aim of attrition.

If this conclusion on our part prove sound it follows that his next field of action will be the Mediterranean. The enemy calculates minutely, his prolonged and detailed preparation is his principal quality, but it involves corresponding defects, the chief of which is great expenditure of time.

The delay which has been caused by his experiments and rehearsals (including, presumably, training in disembarkation, such training being carried out at a distance where it cannot easily be watched) has given this country time to organise its defence and continually to increase its striking power by air. And, of course, we must not in any way slacken the vigilance of our watch or weaken our preparations for defence because the enemy wishes us to think he will not attack.

The Mediterranean has meant many different things strategically in the course of the 150 years since the "Glorious First of June," and

especially since the subsequent Battle of the Nile.

But its chief strategic meaning since the introduction of rapid and certain marine communication and the piercing of the Isthmus of Suez has been its function as the Highway to the East and in particular to India, whereupon the whole British position, commercial and political, depends.

Anyone can see that the whole structure of British power has for its keystone (granted secure possession of the Bab-el-Mandeb at the issue of the Red Sea) the Suez Canal and its approaches, Egyptian and Syrian. Loosen that keystone and the arch is shaken.

### Lisbon's Influence

Until quite recent times the Mediterranean was strategically one sea. And we still talk and think in terms of its being one sea. But strategically it becomes two seas so long as the central position of Italy and the Italian islands, including Pantellaria (now fortified), remains unbroken and formidable.

This separation of the Eastern from the Western Mediterranean has become more and more evident with every new weapon, with every increase of speed, and particularly with every development of modern air power.

In the old days it used to be said with justice that he who had the use of Lisbon commanded the Mediterranean. It was the knowledge of this, which gave all its meaning to our Portuguese alliance.

For the mouth of the Tagus, with its miles of sheltered inland water, commands the Straits. But to-day a fleet in the Tagus, though it ensures a hold on the Western Mediterranean, does not as fully affect the now separate Eastern Mediterranean, until the central interruption formed by the Italian possessions ceases to be a menace.

## my son, my son!

Nellie and I continued to live together in an emotional climate of mutual toleration—one of those relationships where deepening differences are rigidly kept below the surface for the sake of the children, for the sake of appearances before others, for the sake of an outwardly orderly existence.

Things were easier when Oliver a couple of years later, went off to public school, and later to Balliol.

Nellie withdrew deeper and deeper into her religion, while I abandoned myself to my work, producing book after book with one unflinching purpose: to increase my artistic standing and my fortune by making each book better than the last.

I decided to do a novel about the Yorkshire coal mining people, and in accordance with my custom I went into the district to live among the people about whom I intended writing, to observe their lives and their customs at first hand, to absorb their language and their ways of thought.

Informing no one of my exact intentions, I secured a job as an ordinary labourer in the mines owned by Fagon, whose son was a classmate of Oliver's.

Oliver had just turned nineteen at the time; a handsome lad of tremendous charm, whose winsomeness and ready wit carried him through many a scrape into which his spoiled impudence got him both in and out of school. At the end of my second day's work in the mine, as I was emerging from the shaft in a lift with a group of other miners, the manager beckoned me aside. In my rough clothes, countryman's cap and smudged face, I must have looked a convincing miner, for it seemed that a young lady

artist, who had been commissioned to make sketches of the mine and its surroundings, desired to draw me as a typical mine worker!

"Would you like to make a shilling?" the young lady asked me brightly. Carefully keeping in my Yorkshireman's character, I surveyed her deliberately. The head above her shapeless smock was crowned with a mass of light yellow hair, in which the waning sun, peering in through the windows of the rude mine office, made a strange lustre.

The features were delicately chiselled, the nostrils sensitive, the lips somewhat tight but quick to curl up at the corners, the chin delicately pointed and apt to tilt high. I looked, but permitted my face to betray nothing.

"A bob?" I answered her in my best Yorkshire drawl. "I might."

"Well, just stand over there by the wall and let me make a sketch of you."

"All of me?"

"Yes."

"That would be worth two bob." She acquiesced with a laugh and began her drawing. I stood submissively by the wall while she sketched with rapid, businesslike strokes.

"What do you do in the mine?" inquired the artist without looking up.

"Oh," She paused. "Do you like your work?"

"Do you mean to keep on asking questions?" I demanded. "It'll cost you another bob if you do."

"I'm not that interested," she retorted. "Turn your profile, please." I continued to gaze at her. "Side view, please!"

I presented my profile, and she resumed her sketching. "Do you



She, too, seemed to enjoy it enormously.

"I never knew talking to a woman could be like this, I suddenly exclaimed.

"What do you mean?"

"Well, I—I never knew a woman who did anything—who had a career, as you call it. I didn't know a woman could be beautiful and young and intelligent—all at the same time."

She faltered in her step for a moment and stared at me. In that instant, I think, we both realised how tremendously important was this meeting for both of us.

We walked on, and fell to discussing the current work of authors. She had, it seemed, been reading "Every Street," the newest work of one William Essex.

I expressed interest, while betraying nothing. While she approved Essex's writing, she poked fun at his portrayal of feminine characters. This fellow Essex, she believed, knew nothing at all about women.

"But the critics like his love scenes," I protested.

Unconsciously, we both stopped. I looked at her, and said slowly, "I might have once... I wouldn't now. Not after to-night. I'd say—I'd say—"

Before I knew it my arms were about her, straining her to me. Without hesitation her arms went about my neck. I kissed her fervently.

"Oh, my darling!"

It lasted only a moment. Then I withdrew from her embrace and gripped her almost fiercely by her shoulders. The words tumbled from my lips.

"I had no right to do that. I'm not a free man. But I shall love you forever and ever. I knew it from the first moment I heard your voice—from the first moment I saw your face... No, don't speak. Don't tell me anything about yourself. It isn't safe for me to know. I must never see you again."

Her lips trembled, and her eyes filled with tears.

"Please, please... not tears!" I whispered. "I don't think I can bear that!"

"I shall be in tears when I'm alone!"

I gazed at her for another moment, then turned abruptly and walked away.

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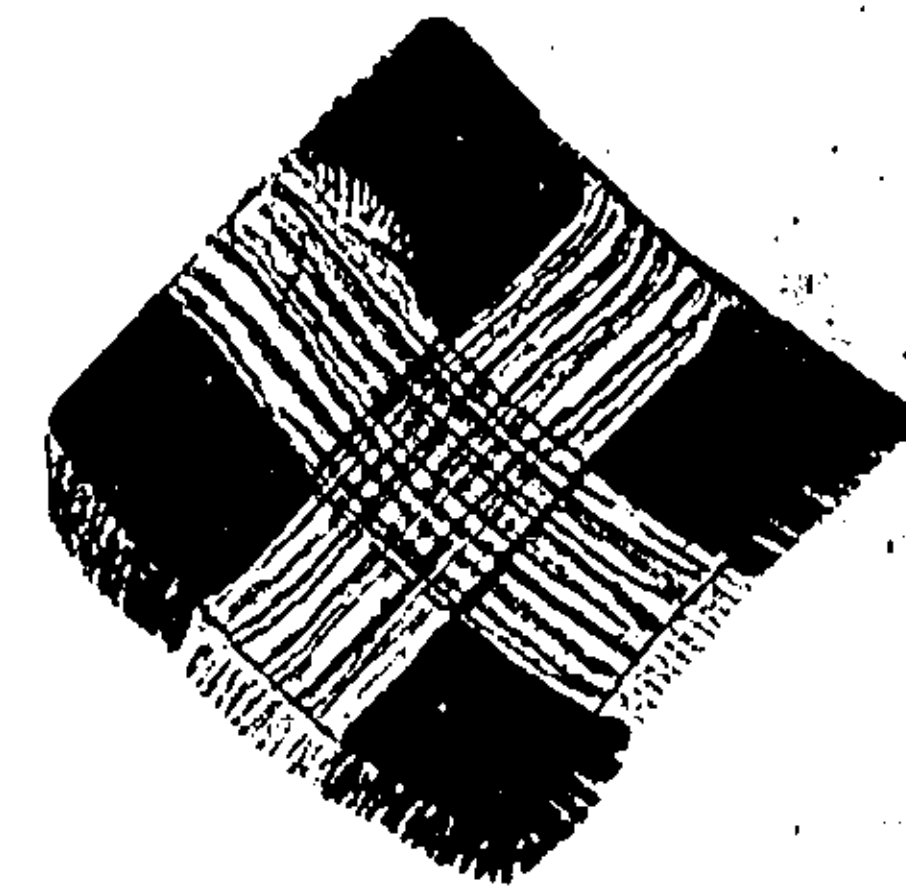


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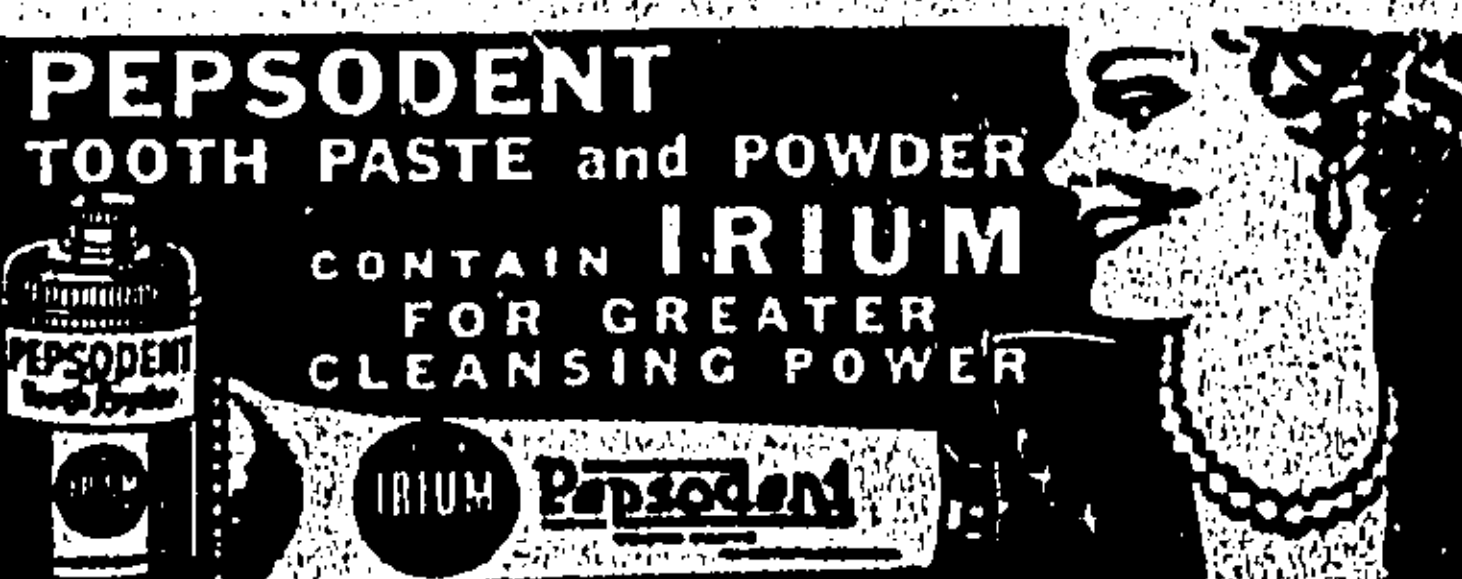
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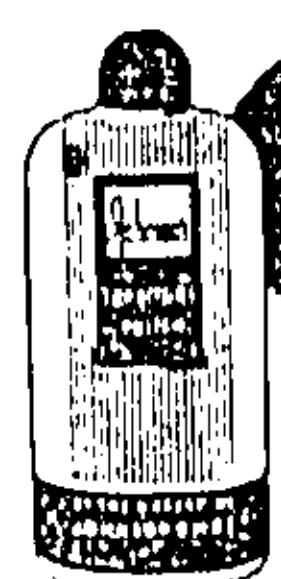
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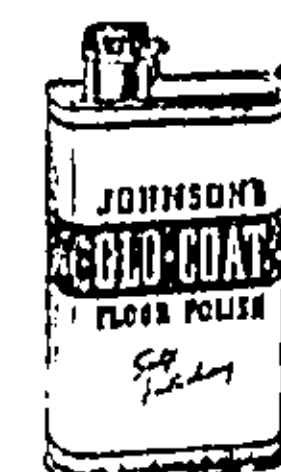


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### Plans For Invasion

There are those in Great Britain who believe, and seemingly with some reason, that Germany will attempt invasion of the British Isles at many points simultaneously. The enemy is assembling troops in the western fjords of Norway and gathering together a great number of small craft, including motor boats of the Norwegian fishing fleet. It is now estimated that nearly 200,000 German troops are in Norway. Summary troops are being concentrated at many points along the Dutch, Belgian and French coasts, with concentrations of tanks and motor-cars, and other types of transport. It is, therefore, not unlikely that the German strategy might well be to attempt it as a series of points on the coast of the British Isles in the hope that one of more fortresses could be encircled from the transport of Germany, that would mean that the enemy would be capturing the success. Wherever he landed he would be met with resistance from the sea, the air and the land. Great Britain's internal communications are so good that troops in sufficient numbers could be sent speedily to any point threatened.

Any destruction that Germany can wreak from the air on the British Isles will be of value as paving the way to invasion, so long as the Royal Navy controls the seas. The enemy's High Command knows this and is concentrating its efforts on shipping in the effort to destroy both naval and merchant vessels. The results cannot be encouraging to the Germans. The extravagant claims they make of destruction of one another, the air is not functioning to anything like the extent desired, and, so long as it fails, successful invasion remains a possibility. The air forces of the British Isles have taken the measure of attacks by bombers, no matter how well these are defended by fighters during their raids. All German raids are hit and run efforts. Even their fighters accompanying the bombers do not abide the issue; they are invariably driven off; it is the British who are on the offensive in defence.

All this does not mean that German air attacks will not be intensified. They will, and at all the greater risk. Before however, Germany launches an attack from the sea she must achieve far greater successes in the air than any so far evident. If she contemplates an invasion through the medium of small craft, thousands of these would have to be employed, and these would be targets they offer would be multiplied. Such a programme would be a venture of despair, and one showing absolute disregard for loss of life. There is no doubt that Herr Hitler is astute enough to recognise that any unsuccessful attempt at invasion on a large scale which suffered drastic defeat would severely injure his prestige, and put heart of grace in the peoples he has conquered. He may have some novel methods to employ, but they are not apparent, and, in any case, the only method that could succeed would be the landing of sufficient troops and mechanical equipment in the British Isles to gain a victory. What that would mean in the way of shipping or in aerial transport can be readily envisaged. Moreover, it

## Filipinos Doubt Defence Strength

BY RICHARD C. WILSON  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MANILA, Sept. 26 (UP).—Filipino efforts to make the Philippines safe from military invasion by the time the United States grants the islands independence in 1946 have been abandoned, informed sources revealed to-day.

Germany's smashing victories over small nations in Europe has convinced Filipino leaders that they must look to the United States for protection from aggressor nations.

First steps toward closer co-ordination of Philippine Commonwealth armed forces and those of the United States in the islands were believed to have been taken during recent conferences between Commonwealth President Manuel L. Quezon, U. S. High Commissioner Francis B. Sayre and Maj. Gen. George Grunert, commander of the U. S. Army's Philippine Department.

Maj. Gen. Douglas MacArthur, former U. S. Army chief of staff and for the last five years military adviser to Quezon, did not participate in the conferences.

MacArthur's plan for making the Philippines safe from aggression after 1946 has been sharply curtailed. Instituted in 1936, the MacArthur programme was being carried out independent of American schemes for defending the islands prior to their independence in 1946. Instead of training 40,000 men annually, as provided in MacArthur's plan, the Commonwealth has decided to train but 20,000 each year.

Quezon is understood to have informed Washington that the Commonwealth government desires to co-operate fully with the

U. S. defence programme and will welcome the sending of U. S. Army conscripts to the Philippines for training.

The mercurial Filipino president has indicated no change in his avowed desire to see the islands become completely independent in 1946, although he has made few remarks publicly of late about independence.

In announcing emasculation of the MacArthur programme, Quezon said he no longer believed the Commonwealth could make itself impregnable to invasion with the limited finances available for defence. Under the MacArthur programme, the Commonwealth has been spending approximately \$4,500,000 annually on military preparations.

General MacArthur's programme was based on the thesis that the islands could be defended through a mass training programme in which every man would be a potential fighter. But the anomaly of the situation became apparent after the Nazi invasion of the Low countries last May.

Even though the islands possessed a huge trained army, this would be helpless unless equipped with modern arms. The Philippine Army possesses a "navy" composed of two 55-foot torpedo boats, a flying force of about 35 small planes, and no large coastal guns. Quezon frankly doubted his

## LEARN TO BE A SNIPER

First—judge your distance

By George  
Millar

A LIFE-SIZE cardboard man knelt under the juniper tree, his eyeless "face" peering between two bracken clumps out over the brown heath. Six rifle shots, six black holes jumped into the yellow face. Larks whirled up over the heath, otherwise there was no sign of life.

Six young officers, two of them Australians, lay on the firing line, faces clamped down on cheekpads, senses centred on telescopic sights, trigger fingers gently squeezing. Each rifle spat six rounds at the nine-inch black square on each target, 100 yards away.

Four of the men had 1½ inch groups—officially "perfect" shooting—and the instructor told me that earlier in the morning there had been a half-inch group.

I WATCHED those things at the Sniping School of the Alder-

could only be a piecemeal venture which could be met and defeated in a piecemeal manner. It is significant, even now, at a time when Germany still possesses numerical superiority in the air, that it is the Royal Air Force that shows the greater initiative, daring and skill, and is inflicting far more damage on Germany's military and naval establishments than is being done by the enemy in reprisal. Great Britain is more and more taking the offensive in the air with the weapon which Germany has claimed will lead to the downfall of the British Empire.

shot Command, where selected officers and men of the British Army are given three-week courses. I went to the Sniping School to ask the experts who run it what hints they could give to L.D.V.s.

Their answers, collectively, were:—  
L.D.V.s should accept every opportunity offered them of musketry practice on miniature or open ranges. This part of the job can only be learned by practice and individual instruction. It is the most important part.

Next comes the art of judging distance. Every L.D.V. man should be able to judge distances accurately by eye up to 600 yards. This is how to learn. Take a central point, stand your section on it, and fix flags (or anything else easily seen) in several spots exactly 100 yards from the section. Every man gets the "look" of 100 yards firmly fixed in his head.

Next walk your section up to some selected object, say, a tree, telling every man to stop and stand when he believes he is exactly 100 yards from the tree. Then measure the distance out with a surveyor's tape. You will find that some men have stopped too far away, some too near, some (perhaps) exactly on the spot. Measure from the nearest man to the furthest.

This distance, when I did it at the Sniping School, was about thirty yards, a big margin of error in a guess at 100 yards. Practise and practise until your section's margin of error is small.

THEN measure out longer distances up to 300 yards. Make each man in the section estimate these distances (in fifty-yard units like the sighting of his rifle). They must use their knowledge of what 100 yards looks like, splitting up the distance into so many hundred yards, with perhaps half a hundred yards over. Thorough practice in this will



government could afford the cost of the armaments necessary to defend 7,000 islands.

First step in the new programme of co-operation between the U. S. Army and the Commonwealth's armed forces was the announcement that the Philippine Army was strengthening its forces in Mindanao, large island at the southern extremity of the archipelago and less than 100 miles from Dutch Borneo.

The U. S. Army maintains only a small force on Mindanao at Pettit Barracks, Zamboanga. Coincidental with the revision of the Commonwealth's military programme, the U. S. Army has substantially strengthened

its manpower and fighting equipment in the Philippines. Prior to this year, little new equipment had been sent to U. S. Army posts here on the theory American armed forces would be withdrawn from the islands in 1946.

Working quietly, the U. S. Army substantially increased the number of technicians and aviation personnel. Nichols Field, on the outskirts of Manila, has become a beehive of activity with dozens of new army planes arriving each month.

Although two additional barracks were recently built to house the enlarged personnel, many non-commissioned officers must live in nearby Paranaque. All available living quarters at Fort Stotsenburg, 57 miles north of Manila, are reported filled.

Differing from MacArthur's programme of large infantry detachments, the U. S. Army's scheme of defence appears to be based on small, well-trained and highly mobile units, backed by an air force. These units travel in caravans of speedy trucks which also tow field guns and other weapons. Much mobile equipment has been received here in recent months.

What effect the Commonwealth government's revision in its military programme will have on General MacArthur's status as military adviser to Quezon has become a subject of conjecture among Manilans.

MacArthur came to Manila early in 1936 following his retirement as U. S. Army chief of staff. Shortly after he instituted his defence programme for the Commonwealth government, Quezon appointed him Field Marshal in the Philippine Army.

## Navy Wanted To Teach Him Photography

MR. HENRY HARRIS, one of the most experienced professional film cameramen in Great Britain, has given an example of red tape and delay in recruiting.

He sought to join the Navy as an official cameraman.

"I was told," he said, "that I should have to undergo a six months' training course on photography, and that my experience counted for nothing."

"The Admiralty frequently engages civilian newsreel cameramen, who get their salaries of £15 a week and over."

"I have photographed dozens of British films, including 'The Stars Look Down' and 'This Man in Paris,' yet I am invited to join as an A.B. at £4.4d. a day to be taught."

"I was informed that men are already in training, many quite inexperienced, and that even if I joined, the course could not begin for at least a month."



## Thirty Fires In Calais Docks R.A.F. Raids Hitler's Big Power Stations Invasion Base. Attacked

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—The Finkenheerd power station, 300 miles from Germany's western frontier, was located at 10.30 p.m. and twice attacked with high explosive bombs.

The bombs were seen to burst in and around the target, states the Air Ministry news service, describing R.A.F. raids last night on enemy power stations, aerodromes and seaports.

The Hanover aerodrome was bombed from a high level but at The Hague a British raid came down to 2,000 feet and dropped bombs on the hangar and runway.

Night flying by the enemy was in progress at the time of the attack. A parachute flare revealed the wreckage of a bomber destroyed in a previous attack.

### Calais Docks Attacked

Other forces of bombers operating at short range kept up the night hammering of enemy invasion ports, while these long distance raids were being carried out, from Hamburg to Le Havre. The Calais docks were subjected to a series of attacks lasting nearly seven hours. Bombs lying alongside quays, and quays were hit, fires and explosions were seen in many parts of the harbour and searchlight batteries on the quays were machine-gunned and extinguished.

Before 3 a.m. to-day over 30 fires were burning within the docks, two being seen far out to sea.

German long range gun positions at Cap Gris Nez were attacked shortly before dawn and a number of hits were registered on emplacements under construction.

## Suner With Hitler

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Senior Suner, Spanish Minister for the Interior, had an hour's talk with Hitler to-day.

Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, was present at the conversation, reports the German news agency.

## GANDHI CRITICISED

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Gandhi, Mr. Amery expressed the hope that the outcome might be agreement both with Gandhi's conscientious objections to war in general and with the Viceroy's less conscientious conviction and duty to allow nothing to stand in the way of India's whole-hearted effort to play her part in the struggle which concerned her present welfare and security and the ideals which her peoples held dear.

## FINLAND GIVES WAY TO NAZIS Passage Allowed To Troops

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter). Reports reaching London from Finland says "Reuters" diplomatic correspondent, confirm that during the next few days German troops going to leave from Norway will pass through Finland under the joint control of the German and Finnish authorities.

Reaches Protested At  
LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the British Minister in Helsinki has been instructed to protest strongly to the Finnish Government against their action in agreeing to allow German troops to pass through Finland on their way to Northern Norway.

It is stated that this action constitutes a clear breach of neutrality and International Law.

## JAPANESE HURL 30,000 MEN

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Tongkin Gulf, whereupon the French-Japanese agreement.

Officials stated that should the Japanese attack Indo-China by trying to put more troops ashore at points not specified in the accord, the French would resist the same as at Dongding where 300 French and native troops re-occupied all the French frontier positions after forcing the Japanese to withdraw.

Clash In Kwangsi  
CHUNGKING, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—An unconfirmed report states that Chinese troops in south-west Kwangsi have already been engaged with the Japanese attacking Indo-China.

The value of the Burma Road to China in the event of the Japanese occupying northern Indo-China is causing some concern at Chungking.

It is thought that Japanese aircraft will be able to patrol the road from dawn to dusk and traffic thus will only be possible at night and will be greatly reduced even if Britain agrees to re-open the road after October 17.

Peaceful Landing  
TOKYO, Sept. 25 (Reuter). Japanese military forces were scheduled to land at Haiphong on September 25 under the terms of a Franco-Japanese accord.

The Japanese Expeditionary forces in South China.

"We expect that landing at Haiphong to be effected peacefully and amicably under the terms of the agreement," continues the communiqué.

## King Inspects The Home Guard



The King paid a visit of inspection to Essex L.D.V.'s recently. Here are some of the men marching past.

## "All Canadians" Win Laurels Wonderful Record In Defence Of London —Fight Over Thames

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—A wonderful record in the defence of London has been achieved by the fighter pilots of the original "All Canadian" squadron of the R.A.F. formed in England, says "Reuter's" air correspondent.

It was revealed to-night that in the past fortnight they figured in six fights. Fifty-five enemy aircraft made up their total "bag."

The Canadians lost only two men.

Give Nazis Biggest Beating

On September 18 the "All Canadian" bomber force the biggest beating yet which have tried to reach the capital on daylight. Together with the British and American pilots, they met the enemy flying in two large formations at 7,000 feet well out over the Thames Estuary.

Leading the attack, they dived on the first group of about 20 bombers which at the start were in close formation, split them up and shot down nine Dornier 17s and five Junkers 88s.

The Squadron Leader said: "The sky seemed to be full of Spitfires and Hurricanes queuing up to attack the enemy aircraft. It was the finest shambles I have ever seen. We had position, height and numbers. The enemy were a sorry-looking collection."

On September 7 when the air battle over factories, docks, and railways in the Greater London area began with a mass attack by daylight, the Canadians chased a large formation from East London to the coast and shot down four Dornier 17s and six Junkers 88s.

On the last occasion of a mass attack, made on September 15, both the "All Canadian" and the pilots of the first Royal Canadian Air Force squadron to reach England did their share in bringing down the record number of 155 enemy aircraft claimed by the R.A.F. They fought side by side in several recent battles.

## VICHY CLAIMS RENOWN HIT

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French Admiralty says that the attack on Dakar was resumed just after 11 a.m. to-day.

It adds: "One of the two torpedoed British battleships withdrew from the action with a strong list."

Dealing with yesterday's operations, the communiqué repeats the details already announced and adds: "In the course of the engagement our cruisers scored several hits on the Barbham and Revolution as well as on a cruiser of the Kent type."

Tangier Sees Bombs  
TANGIER, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Relays of French bombers passed over Tangier between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. to-day.

The subsequent bombing of Gibraltar was clearly audible here.

French Continue Air Raids  
LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—French planes continued to bomb Gibraltar this morning, according to an Algerian dispatch to the German news agency.

The dispatch adds that units of the French fleet, which had been stationed on their course towards the Atlantic.

French Version  
VICHY, Sept. 25 (Reuter). It is officially announced that by way of retaliation a large French air force bombarded Gibraltar yesterday, dropping 45 tons of bombs on the arsenal and the southern part of the south mole.

A large ship in port was hit. A large number of fires was observed.

All the planes returned to their bases despite lively anti-aircraft fire from the British guns.

## NAZIS LOSE 18 PLANES IN RAIDS

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but reports indicate little damage and few casualties.

The enemy was engaged by British fighters at all points.

R.A.F. Counter-Attacks

Throughout last night our bombers continued their systematic attacks on enemy invasion ports, including Delfzijl, Ostend, Calais, Cherbourg and Le Havre.

Many fires and explosions resulted, in addition to attacks on Berlin, other forces of our aircraft attacked an electric power station at Finkenheerd, near Frankfurt-on-Oder, railway communications near Magerburg, goddards at Hamm and Brussels, gun emplacements at Cap Gris Nez, and several aerodromes.

An aircraft of the Coastal Command attacked a convoy of enemy vessels off Terschelling last night. One of the vessels was hit by three bombs and left sinking.

Two of our aircraft were lost in the night operations.

Losses Now 23

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communiqué states that it is now known that 23 enemy aircraft have been destroyed to-day, three of them by anti-aircraft guns.

One fighter plane, previously reported lost, is safe.

Our losses, therefore, are four fighter aircraft. The pilots of three of them are safe.

Addition To Sunday's Bag

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Air Marshal Sir Arthur Barratt revealed to-day that on Sunday before last, when the R.A.F. claimed 185 German planes, 47 more "almost certainly came down" and 17 more were damaged.

Sir Arthur, appealing to the thousands of men and women workers in the south coast to produce planes, promised them: "You produce the planes and we, of the Air Force, will do the rest."

The Air Marshal, who was Commander-in-Chief of the R.A.F. in France before the French collapse, said that the downfall of their ally was entirely due to the fact that they could not think of anything but defence.

## DAKAR ENTERPRISE

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and subsequently on His Majesty's ships, which were standing by in order to render General de Gaulle support and assistance if needed.

Before returning the French Air, the Admiral commanding made the following signal in plain language: "Will be compelled to return fire unless fire ceases."

"As the fire from the shore batteries did not cease, the fire was returned and both His Majesty's ships and shore batteries incurred casualties."

"Fire from the French battleship Richelieu was joined to that of the shore batteries, and subsequently her fire had to be returned."

Submarine Attack On  
Royal Navy

The British naval commander warned the French authorities that submarines would be engaged if they left harbour. In spite of this warning, three submarines made attacks on our ships and active measures had to be taken against them with the result that two were sunk, but the entire crew of one fortunately were saved and will be repatriated at the first opportunity.

"The forces of General de Gaulle attempted to make a landing which was not successful and when it became plain that only a major operation would secure the fall of Dakar, it was decided to discontinue hostilities as it had never been the intention of His Majesty's Government to enter into serious warfare against those Frenchmen who felt it their duty to obey the commands of the Vichy Government."

"General de Gaulle himself was most anxious that he should not be the cause of bloodshed to his fellow countrymen."

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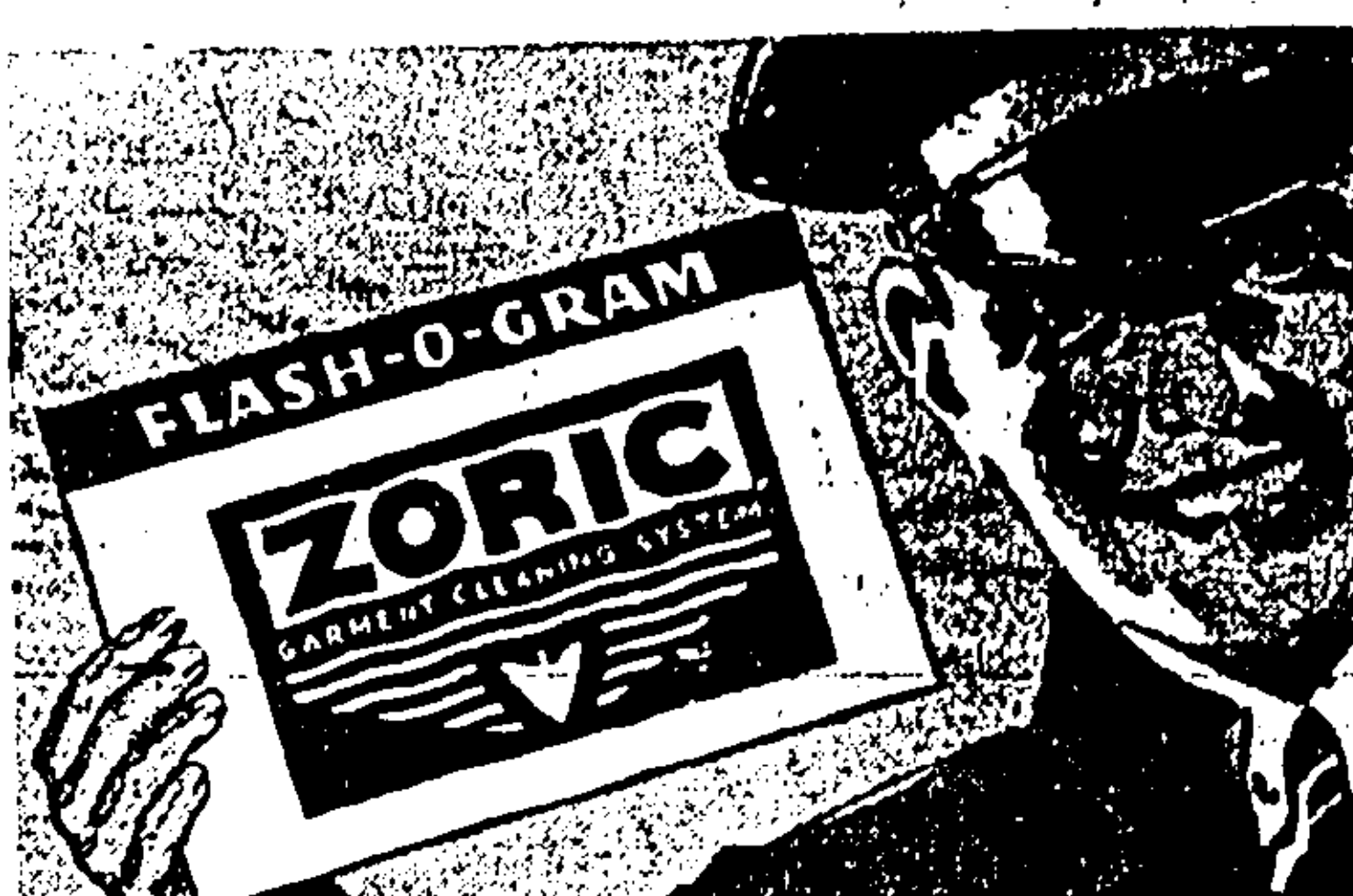
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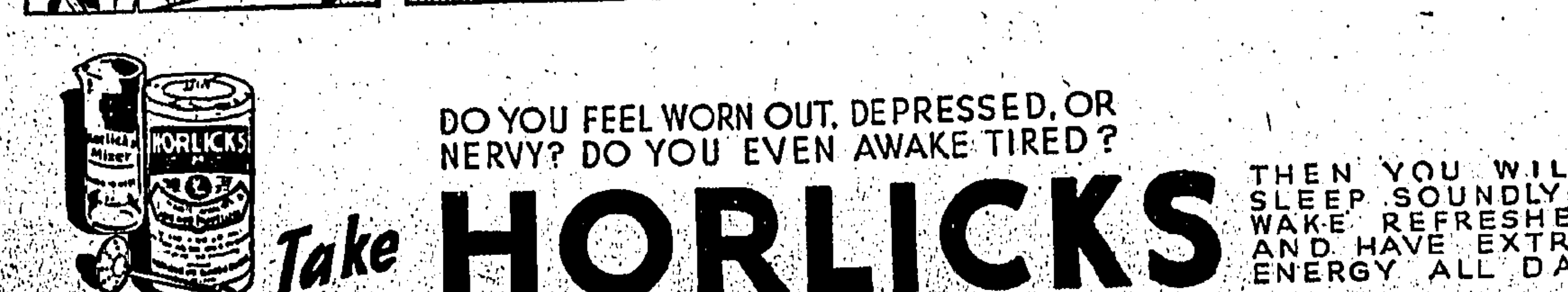
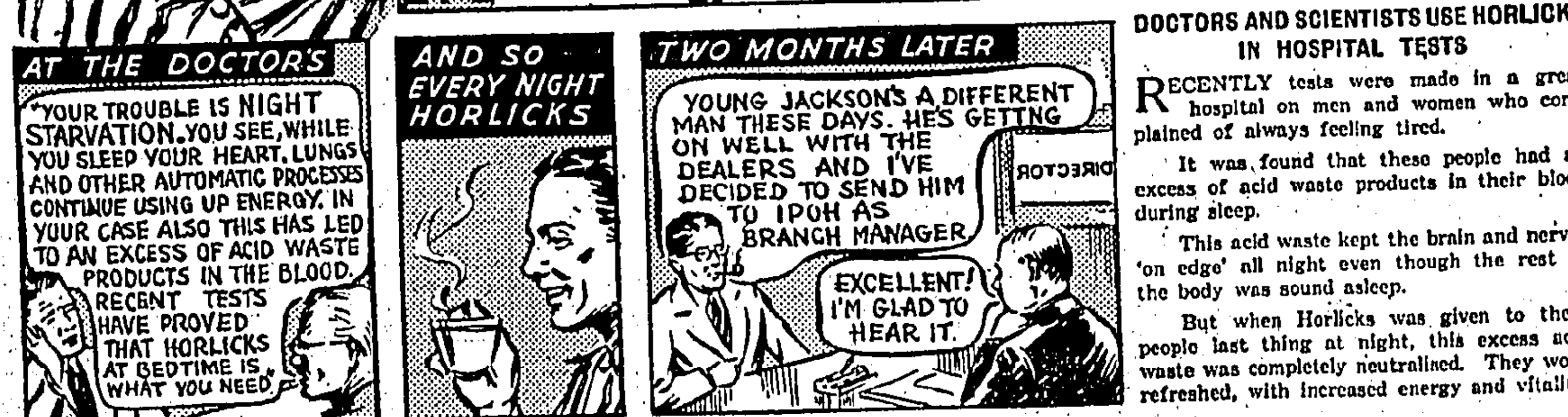
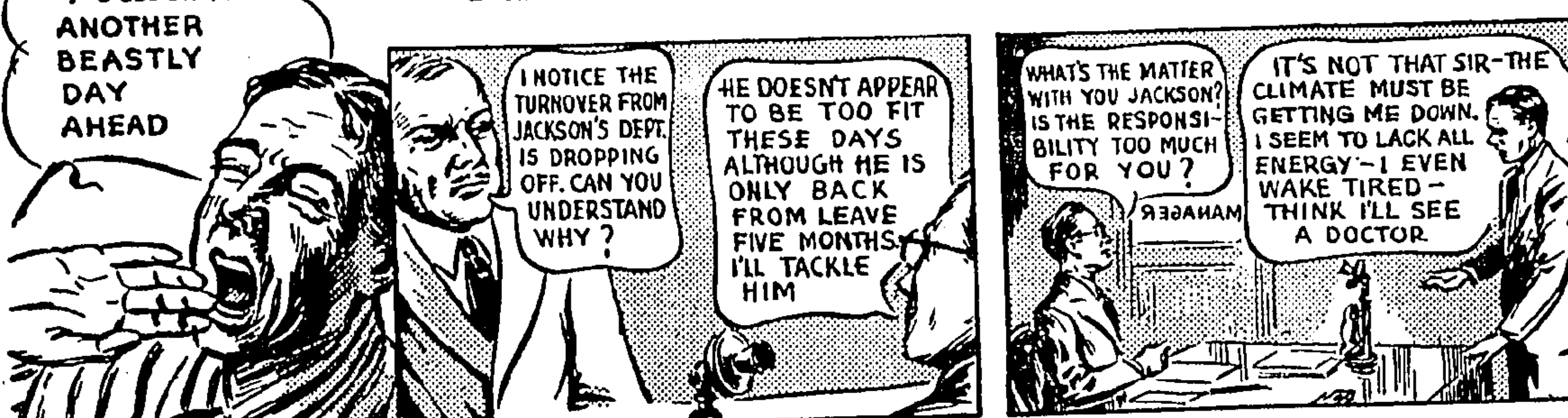
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# NG NIN BREAKS BREAST-STROKE RECORD

## Chan Chun-nam Wins 220 Yards Free-style By Touch

### V. Churn, J. Anderson And Ho Wai-king In Thrilling Fifty Yards Sprint

(By "Tinker")

A SECOND COLONY RECORD went by the board yesterday—the first day of the Colony Swimming Championships at the V.R.C.—when Ng Nin lowered Enrique Chaine's 1939 time for the 100 yards breast-stroke by 1.2/5 sec., recording a new time of 70 seconds.

This, however, was quite up to expectations, but in the 220 yards free-style event, wherein Ng Nin and Chan Chun-nam met for the first time, the thrilling neck-and-neck struggle between these two over the last length and a half had the spectators standing. The time was nothing brilliant, in fact, Chan Chun-nam, the winner, failed to improve on his time recorded in the heats, returning 2 mins. 32.1/5 sec.

In respect of time, it was a badly judged race. Ng Nin, Chan and Charles Huang, who was third in 2 mins. 35.4/5 sec., went off for 28 sec. for the 50 yards and 61.3/5 sec. for the 100 yards! And this killing start undoubtedly was the cause of the comparatively poor time returned.

But it was a great race as ever will be seen in the V.R.C. again. Ng Nin, Chan and Charles Huang, who was third in 2 mins. 35.4/5 sec., went off for 28 sec. for the 50 yards and 61.3/5 sec. for the 100 yards! And this killing start undoubtedly was the cause of the comparatively poor time returned.

Pandemonium was let loose over the last 20 yards when Chan and Ng Nin were neck-to-neck. Neither could gain the inch or two that would have made the difference, until at the post Chan just managed to slap his hand home first.

Thus ended the first meeting between these two great swimmers. Charles Huang was a very good third.

#### Breast-stroke Record

Ng Nin's record in the breast-stroke was made through the use of the butterfly stroke. Luiz M. Remedios battled level with him for the 50 yards, but thereafter faded away and fought a great fight with Ho Poon-kun (3rd) and Fong Chong-yue (4th). Only a touch separated these last three men.

Fong, with the normal stroke, put up a superb challenge for the 50 yards and was only a yard behind at that turn. He was another yard or so further back.

Surged in the correct word to describe how Ng Nin went into the lead over the second two lengths, and his powerful strokes brought him in four seconds ahead of Remedios.

#### Women's 50 Free-style

THOUGH the time-keepers clocked Miss V. Churn 4/6 second ahead of Miss Ko Mui-ling in the women's 50 yards free-style, to the eye the finish seemed only one of touches. Certainly only the smallest fractions of a second separated Miss Ko, Miss J. Anderson and Miss Ho Wai-king.

Incidentally, a typographical error in the programme makes Miss Ho into a married woman though she is only 15 years of age.

Miss Ko touched the wall first and was followed closely by Miss Ho, Miss Churn and Miss J. Anderson, but in the last lap Miss Churn slowly moved into the fore and came in first by a foot at the outside.

Miss Anderson lived up to the promise of her head race, and swam a fine race for third place.

#### Women's Back-stroke

THERE was only one girl in the back-stroke over 100 yards. Miss L. Sadlek was several yards in the lead at the end of the first 50 yards, and eventually won by five or six in 85 seconds.

Miss Tsang Fung-kwan, Miss Lee Cheuk-wah and Miss L. Lopes figured in a fine struggle over the last two lengths, and Miss Lee, who was lying third, dropped out of the running when she failed badly at the last turn.

#### Women's Relay

V.R.C. "A" were without opposition in the women's

#### Finals and Finalists For Events To-day

The following are the final events and the competitors taking part this evening, commencing at 6.15 p.m.:  
Men's 50 yds. free-style  
Ng Nin, D. Hutchinson, D. H. Taylor, Ng Tsun-man and Fung Kwai-sang.  
Women's 100 yds. breast-stroke  
Ho Wai-king, Au Mei-chuen, Li Po-luen, V. Churn and Ko Mui-ling.  
Boys' 100 yds. free-style  
J. Gomes, C. A. Yvanovich and John Tai.  
Men's 440 yds. free-style  
Ng Nin, Chan Chun-nam, C. Huang, Mak Wai-sung and Yau Sai-kwan.  
Women's 150 yds. Medley Relay  
Chung Sing, H.K. University, Lai T. C., Chinese B.C. and V.R.C.  
Men's 150 yds. Medley Relay  
Chung Sing, H.K. University, V.R.C. "A" and V.R.C. "B".

## TIGERS NOSE OUT WHITE SOX

NEW YORK, Sept. 25 (UP).—Detroit Tigers increased their leading percentage in the American League to-day when they nosed out the Chicago White Sox 10-9. Scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE	
Chicago	Lee Brown, Frank
Batteries	Bridges, Benton, Trout, New
San Francisco	Thompson West
Batteries	Davis, Shoun, Owen
Pittsburgh	Sewell, Schultz, Davis
Batteries	Lee, McCulloch

## BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP OPEN SINGLES MATCHES

SEVERAL MATCHES in the Lawn Bowls Singles championship were played yesterday. Two outstanding victories of the day were those of W. Gill over M. Medina at the Civil Service C.C., and A. Hyde-Lay over A. W. Hiecock at Craiginger. The first named won 21-3 and the second 21-4.

At the Kowloon B.C.C. was a more even game. W. K. Way beat W. Simpson 21-16 on the 22nd head. Way scored two 4's. One on the 17th, and to draw level at 13-all, and the other on the 23rd end—to win.

Complete scores were:  
Civil Service C.C.  
W. Gill beat M. Medina 21-3 on the 22nd end. R. Hase beat A. H. Rumjahn 21-10 on the 22nd end.  
Craiginger C.C.  
A. Hyde-Lay beat A. W. Hiecock 21-4 on the 16th end.  
Kowloon B.C.C.  
W. K. Way beat W. Simpson 21-16 on the 22nd end. C. G. Silva beat Y. H. Tang 21-12 on the 17th.

#### Bowlsters Win

At the Kowloon Bowling Green yesterday, Bowlsters beat Volunteers 75-50.  
W. L. Walker, C. W. Jeffries, I. Newton, J. Dinkin beat D. Gow, F. Filippance, W. Hyde, J. G. Meyer 20-14.  
W. A. Cornell, R. R. Wood, J. T. Smith, S. H. Dodwell beat R. H. Davies, H. V. Pearce, E. Tuck, C. S. Rossett 28-18.  
J. A. Fraser, E. V. Seale, J. T. Small, R. F. McGowan beat S. L. Leonard, W. S. Hillier, F. Cullen, E. Kern 21-18.

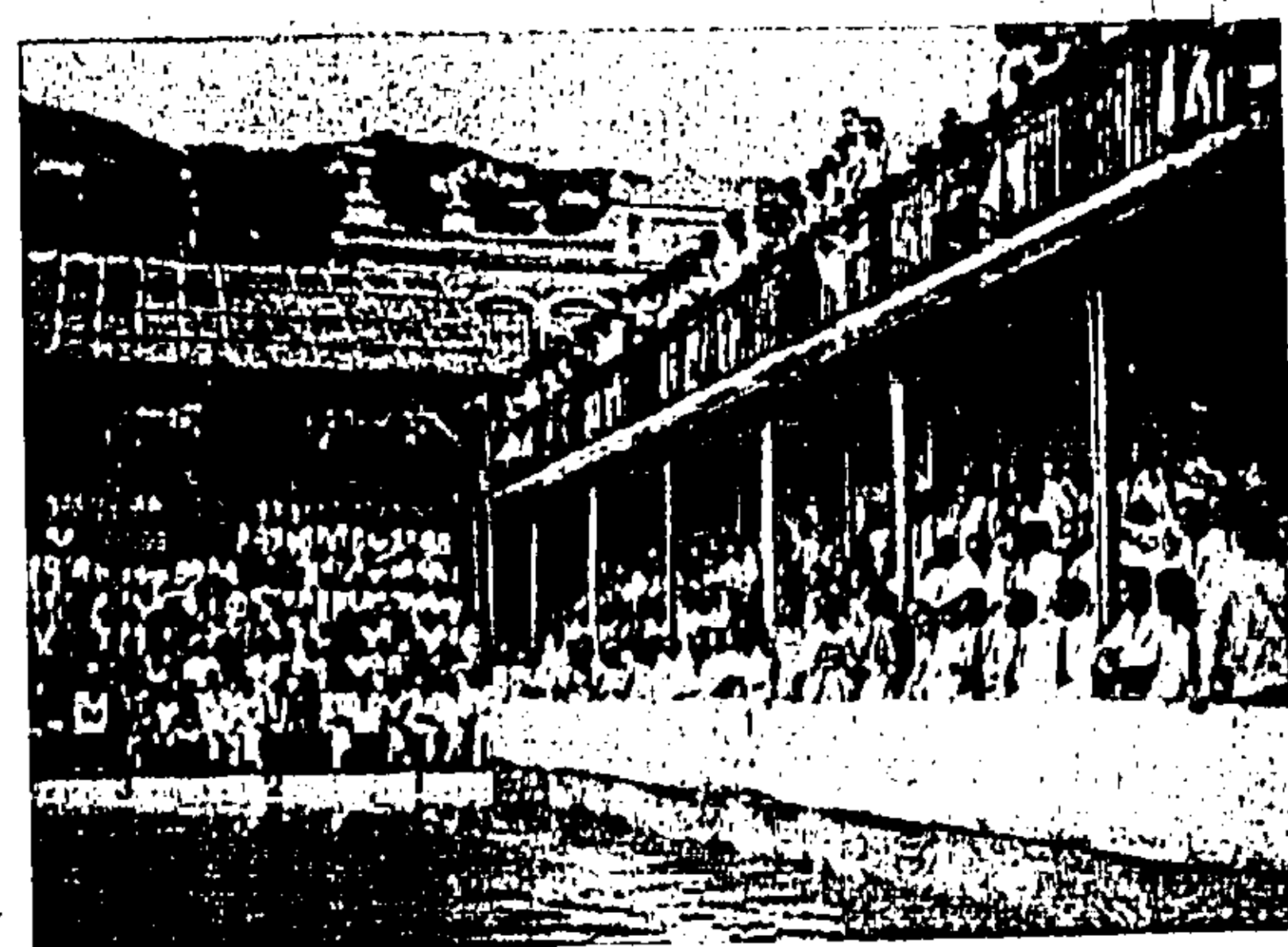


The victorious U. S. S. Mindanao baseball team that beat H.B. in the League play-off 3-5 last Saturday and won the pennant for 1940 season. W. S. Chase, manager of the team, is kneeling at the extreme left of the front row.—Ming Yuen.

## SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The picture below gives an idea of the crowd that is attending at the Victoria Recreation Club for the current Colony Swimming Championships. Stands and balconies are packed to the limit.

To the left is a picture of Lionel Rosa-Perera, Colony diving champion, giving an exhibition during yesterday's programme, in conjunction with Ed. da Rosa.—Staff Photographer.



#### Football Meeting

## EASTERN FORFEIT POINTS TO SING TAO

### Police And R.A.S.C. Fined

THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE of the Hongkong Football Assn. had many matters to deal with at their meeting last night. Mr. W. E. Holland was in the Chair, and the first case for consideration was that of the postponed Eastern-Sing Tao match.

Eastern, who failed to field a team, explained that owing to the sudden departure of several players they were unable to raise an XI. Findings were against them, and they were ordered to forfeit two points to their opponents and were fined \$20.

Eastern's 2nd XI were permitted to withdraw from the Second Division and their fixtures will be taken over by the Royal Navy, who are granted entry to that division.

#### UNREGISTERED PLAYERS

THE playing of unregistered players resulted in fines for both the Police and the R.A.S.C. Police were fined \$10 for turning out with three unregistered men against the Royal Navy and R.A.O.C., while R.A.S.C. were fined \$5 for the same infringement in respect of one player against Shell.

A meeting of the Emergency Committee followed to consider the case of Tao Kwai-shing, who was sent off the field for dangerous play in the South China match against the Royal Scots.

The case was postponed when Tao did not appear, but Tao is not allowed to play soccer in the meanwhile.

#### Double Tenth Match

A MATCH will be played between the Chinese and the Rest of the Colony on the Club ground at 4 p.m. on October 10, the proceeds to be for the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China.

#### "Y" Hockey XI's

The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. in hockey matches this week (at King's Park):

To-day  
"A" v. Royal Signals 4.30 p.m.—V. M. Benwell, Kileen and Gaby; Fashlock, Pennington and Waldron; Smith, Gilchrist, Taylor, Dunne and Highlands.  
Saturday  
1st XI v. Khalsa 4.30 p.m.—V. M. Benwell, Jordan and Youreiff; Coombe, Pennington and Waldron; Smith, Gilchrist, Taylor, Dunne and Highlands.  
2nd XI v. Navy XI 8 p.m.—Fashlock, Pennington and Gaby; Spence, Tomlinson and Gorman; Macey, Dormer, Smith, Ireson and Jeffrey.

## Undisputed Champion Of The World

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Lou Salica, world bantamweight champion according to the New York State Athletic Commission, to-night outpointed the National Boxing Association champion, George Pace, over 15 rounds and became undisputed world champion.

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"Well—I must confess I didn't expect to see you chopping trees this morning and smoking a

whacking big black cheroot. Not after last night..."

"I don't like the way you say 'not after last night.' I detect a certain envy in the tone—a certain undercurrent of bitterness. You ought to be overjoyed to see me absolutely bristling with joy-de-vivre."

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- 2-Verbal
- 3-Lemon
- 4-Charitable gift
- 5-Universal tongue
- 6-Similar adherents of
- 7-Always (poetic)
- 8-Confederate leader
- 9-New York canal
- 10-Reason for pains
- 11-Musical groups
- 12-Air of poetry
- 13-Herein again
- 14-Armistice
- 15-Plaster of Paris
- 16-Deceit
- 17-Child
- 18-Drunk
- 19-Girl's name
- 20-I would
- 21-Porter
- 22-Coastal d're base
- 23-Dinner
- 24-Respect
- 25-Newspaperman
- 26-Required

DOWN

- 1-Easily led
- 2-Stubber
- 3-What driver
- 4-Lemon
- 5-Charitable gift
- 6-Universal tongue
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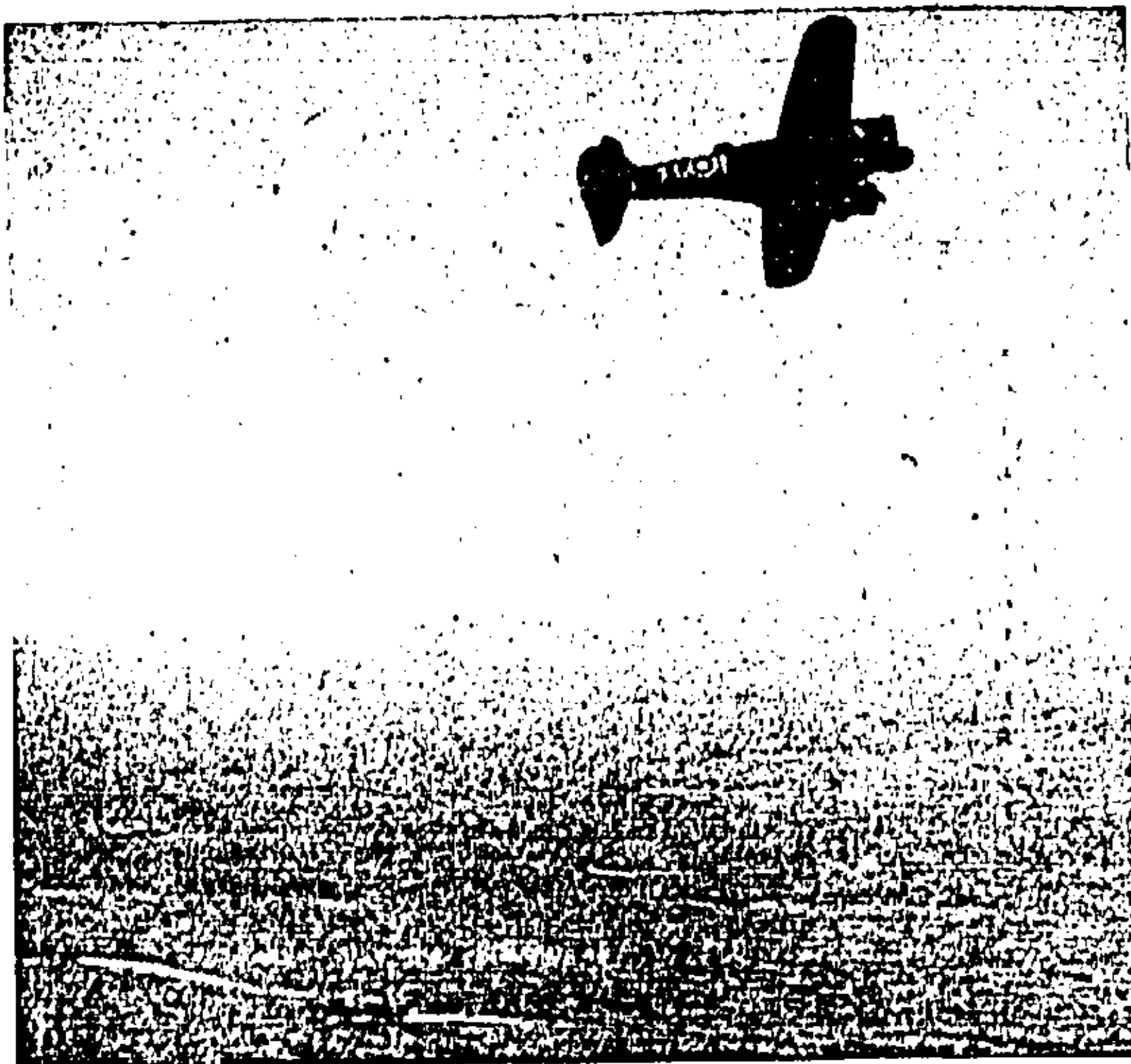
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## All Fire Uniforms Now Controlled

Heavy Penalties Ordered  
Fire's Government announced today that it is now an offence for any one to make, army or civil guard uniforms without official authorisation.

It will no longer be possible for a military or police officer to go into a shop and order a uniform and he produces a permit from the Minister in charge of his force. And no one except those entitled to do so will be allowed either to wear or have in their possession uniforms, or even parts of uniforms, of State servants, or "colourable imitations" of them.

## Fight Against Tuberculosis Spittoon Improvement

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association, it was reported that 48 local medical practitioners had agreed to donate to the Association the fees they receive from the Government for notifying cases of tuberculosis, and that the income from this source during the past month had amounted to \$486. The Association's funds at present total nearly \$4,000.

It was decided to print two leaflets giving simple advice about tuberculosis—2,000 of each in English and Chinese and 5,000 of each in Chinese only. Mr. Ho Kung-ling generously undertook to pay for this work. Case cards for use at Tuberculosis Clinics were also ordered to be printed.

The Committee gave further consideration to the problem but practical question of an improved design for Chinese spittoons. Medical members of the Committee emphasised the unsuitability of flanges, ribs and ungettable grooves in spittoons, which make it difficult to clean them properly, whereby they become a source of danger instead of a protection against the spread of disease. The Scientific Sub-Committee had recommended a design with wide opening, broad base and straight sides. Enquiries were set on foot as to production costs, with a view to the introduction of improved receptacles in places of public resort and ultimately in private houses.

Each Treatment  
A member of the Committee reported that efforts to enlist new members of the Association had been countered with the remark, "I will join when I see that the Association is doing something useful." People wanted to see accommodation provided for the treatment of early cases of tuberculosis. The reply to this, of course, was that the Association cannot undertake schemes involving capital outlay and maintenance charges until it has extensive financial support from the public.

Medical members of the Committee intimated that Hongkong needed 50,000 beds to provide tuberculosis treatment on a scale commensurate with the provision made in Western countries. It would cost £10 a day to maintain a fifty-bed hospital. Patients will not benefit from a sanatorium until they have improved in health under medical treatment. Uncurable cases need to be isolated from those which have a chance of recovery.

## American Warships In Shanghai

Shanghai, Sept. 25.  
Four destroyers of the United States Asiatic Fleet arrived here this morning from Tsingtao. The group consisted of the Purrol, Edsel, Bulmer and the Stewart. The unit is expected to stay several days before sailing for Manila.

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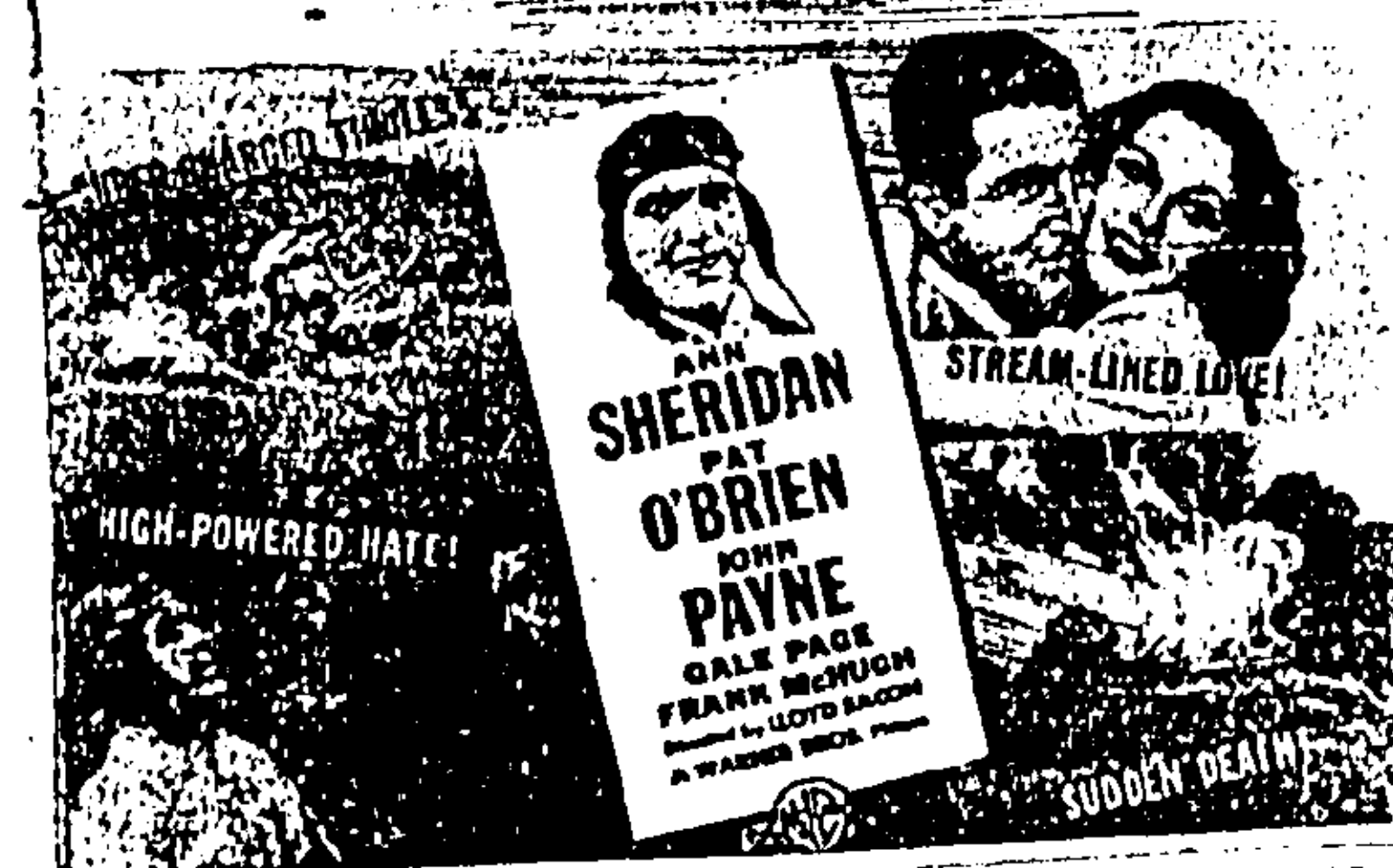
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## New Cornflower Handed Over To H.K.R.N.V.R.

A pleasant ceremony took place in the Royal Naval Dockyard yesterday afternoon, when Sir Robert Ho Tung, M.B., handed over the steamship *Tai Hing*, now to be known as H.M.S. *Cornflower*, to the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve for their use during the war.

His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieut.-General E. F. Norton, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., thanked Sir Robert on behalf of the Government, and, speaking of the unique services rendered by the H.K.R.N.V.R., said it was hoped shortly to send home a small batch of these officers for general service in the Royal Navy.

The Reserve were first inspected by His Excellency. On arrival at the north arm of the basin, His Excellency was met by the Commanding Officer of the H.K.R.N.V.R., Commander J. Petrie, O.B.E., D.S.C., Honorary Commander of the H.K.R.N.V.R., Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, Lieut.-Cmdr. R. J. Vennart, Lieut.-Cmdr. J. C. Clarendon, and Paymaster Lieut.-Cmdr. E. Grossman.

Under the command of Lieut.-Cmdr. H. W. M. Dalley the Force was mustered in divisions: Officers, Divisional Officer Lt. Comdr. L. J. Stevenson, Mobilised Officers, Divisional Officer Lieut. S. J. Stevenson, Unmobilised Officers, Divisional Officer Sub-Lt. A. R. Brown, European Seamen Gunners, Divisional Officer Sub-Lt. G. S. McGill, Chinese Seamen, Divisional Officer Cadet F. B. Laloe, Communication Branch, Divisional Officer Sub-Lt. J. B. Smith.

On completion of the inspection His Excellency and Senior Officers proceeded on board for the ceremony of handing over the *Tai Hing* to the Hongkong Government.

### Distinguished Guests

The following guests had assembled on board: Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, M.B., Mr. J. J. Patterson, Hon. Sir R. H. Kewell, M.B., Hon. Sir Shou-sun Chow, M.B., Hon. Mr. M. R. Lo, Hon. Mr. L. S. Ho, Hon. Mr. T. T. Tam, Mr. C. L. Roberts, Captain L. G. B. A. Campbell, M.C., M.S., Comdr. D. H. S. Craven, Comdr. W. P. McCarthy, Comdr. S. J. Horswell, Eng. Comdr. P. Warner, Lieut. Comdr. W. A. Elliott, Comdr. Petrie welcomed the guests, and in introducing Sir Robert Ho Tung referred to Sir Robert's long and distinguished connection with the growth and development of the Colony.

Sir Robert replied: Your Excellency, Commander Petrie and members of the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve. I am glad to be in the presence of the ship for his kind remarks concerning the ship.

It has given me great satisfaction that Government has been able to accept an offer of the *Tai Hing* for the duration of the war. That satisfaction is increased because the ship is one of the best of its kind in the world.

I am told that in the former depot there was an accident, and a great deal of damage to the ship. I am glad to hear that the ship is now in good condition and that the many members of the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve and I hope that that need will be met by this ship.

I understand that the *Tai Hing* is a very capable ship, and that the H.K.R.N.V.R. will be given the opportunity of the ship. I take a great deal of pleasure in handing over the ship to the Hongkong Government for use by Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve during the war.

May she bring good luck to Hongkong in general and to the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve in particular.

**Governor's Speech**  
His Excellency said it is hardly necessary to remind you of Sir Robert Ho Tung's character for generosity—a generosity which makes itself felt over a very wide field. But Sir Robert does more than give widely; he also gives with wisdom and discretion. Here we have a case in point.

Some nine months before the outbreak of war it was found that H.M.S. *Cornflower*, the old Headquarters of the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, was in such a bad state of repair that the expenditure involved in making her seaworthy would not be justifiable, and it was recommended that Headquarters should be transferred ashore. For various reasons this proved impracticable at the time. Then with the outbreak of war and the mobilisation of a part of the H.K.R.N.V.R. the need for more extensive quarters than those provided by H.M.S. *Cornflower* became pressing.

Sir Robert Ho Tung's offer thus came at a singularly opportune moment and provided a solution of what had become a very difficult problem. The *Tai Hing* can be berthed within the area of the R.N. Dockyard upon which many Auxiliary Patrol vessels are based, and the ship is roomy enough to provide accommodation for the personnel of the many branches of the R.N.V.R. Nothing could be more convenient or suitable.

**Cost of Conversion**  
But Sir Robert's offer does not stop at the loan of the ship without fee or consideration but in addition he has made a generous contribution towards the cost of adapting the ship to Service requirements and is also undertaking to meet the costs of all fair wear and tear maintenance.

Before I formally accepting this generous offer I should like to say a word or two about those who benefit by it, the H.K.R.N.V.R., whom I have met officially to-day for the first time.

I am well aware of the essential duties which are being carried on by day and by night by the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve. The Commodore informs me that acting as an entirely self-contained unit, you have assumed complete responsibility for all the Auxiliary Patrol Vessels whose duties entail constant patrols to observe, report and, if practicable, to fight any approaching enemy; you have the unceasing responsibility of detecting any enemy mine-layers who may endeavour to lay mines in the vicinity of this Base, and to sweep up the mines should they be laid. The Mine-sweeping branch, a peculiar to Hongkong, has assumed complete control of the Mine-sweeping and Indicator Loop Stations. In addition you have provided the majority of officers at present serving in the Local Motor Torpedo Boat Flotilla, and it is hoped shortly to send a small batch of officers home for general service in the Royal Navy.

With the exception of the Motor Torpedo Boat Flotilla, all other duties are carried out by the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve as an independent unit with no permanent Royal Naval Officer attached to them as Officer-in-Charge, as is the case in all other Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve Depots. This reflects very great credit on Commander Petrie, and the officers who have assisted him in creating and maintaining the organisation.

**Proud Privilege**  
The importance of the duties undertaken by the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve is recognised by the Admiralty and it is for this reason that they have given permission for the name of H.M.S. *Cornflower* to be given in perpetuity to the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve as a privilege of which we have a right to be proud.

Now, Sir Robert, it is my duty and my privilege to accept formally on behalf of the Government of Hongkong the loan for the period of the war and for three months thereafter of the steamship *Tai Hing* under the generous conditions you have laid down to serve as H.M.S. *Cornflower* for a headquarters of the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.



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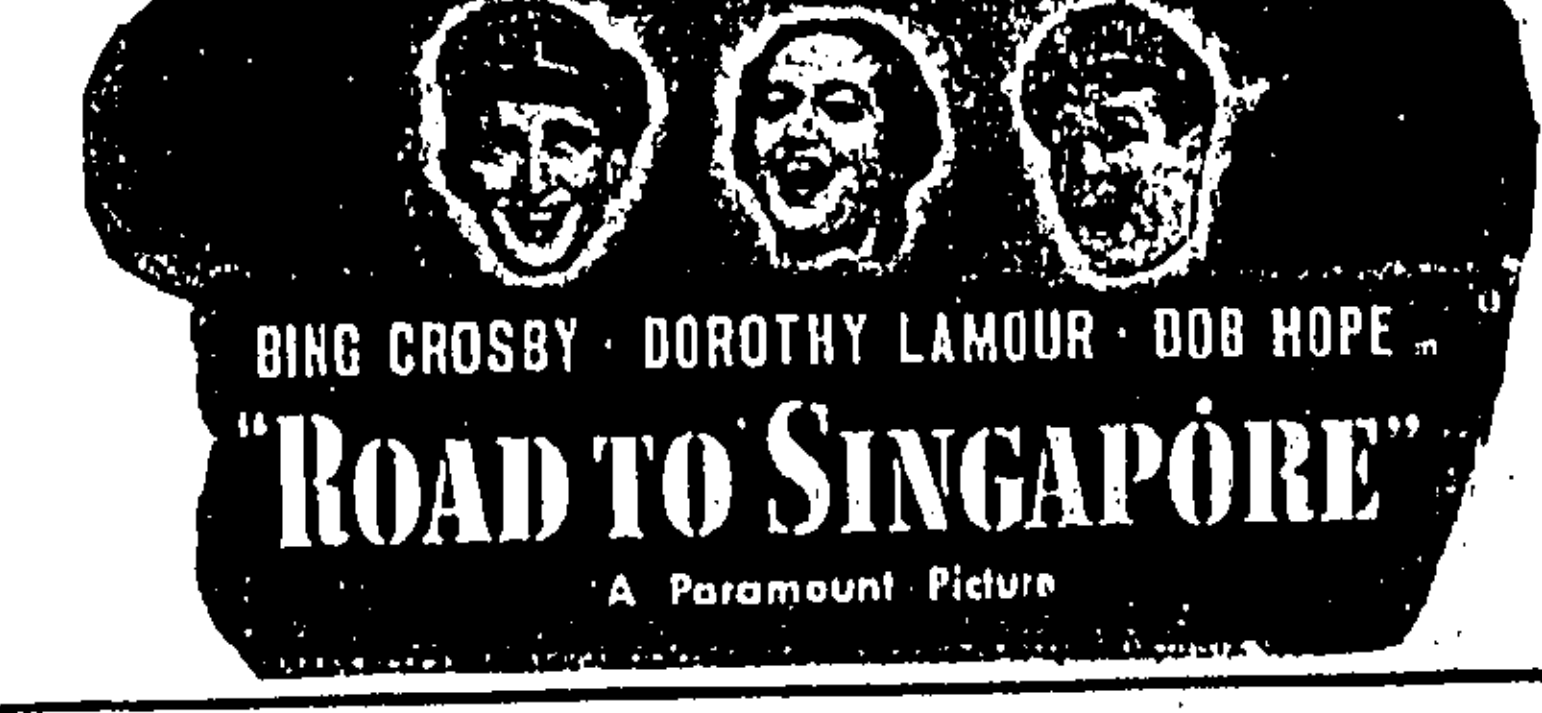
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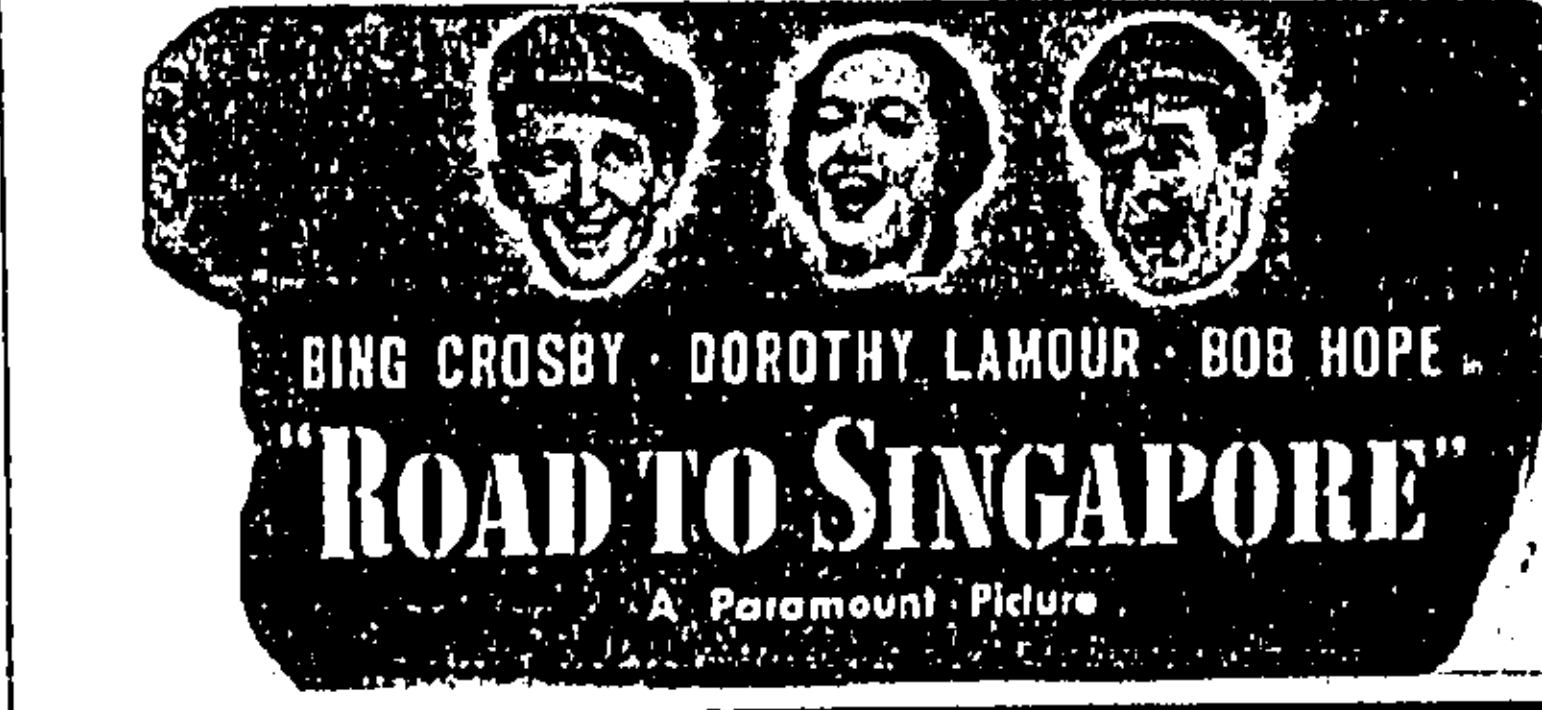


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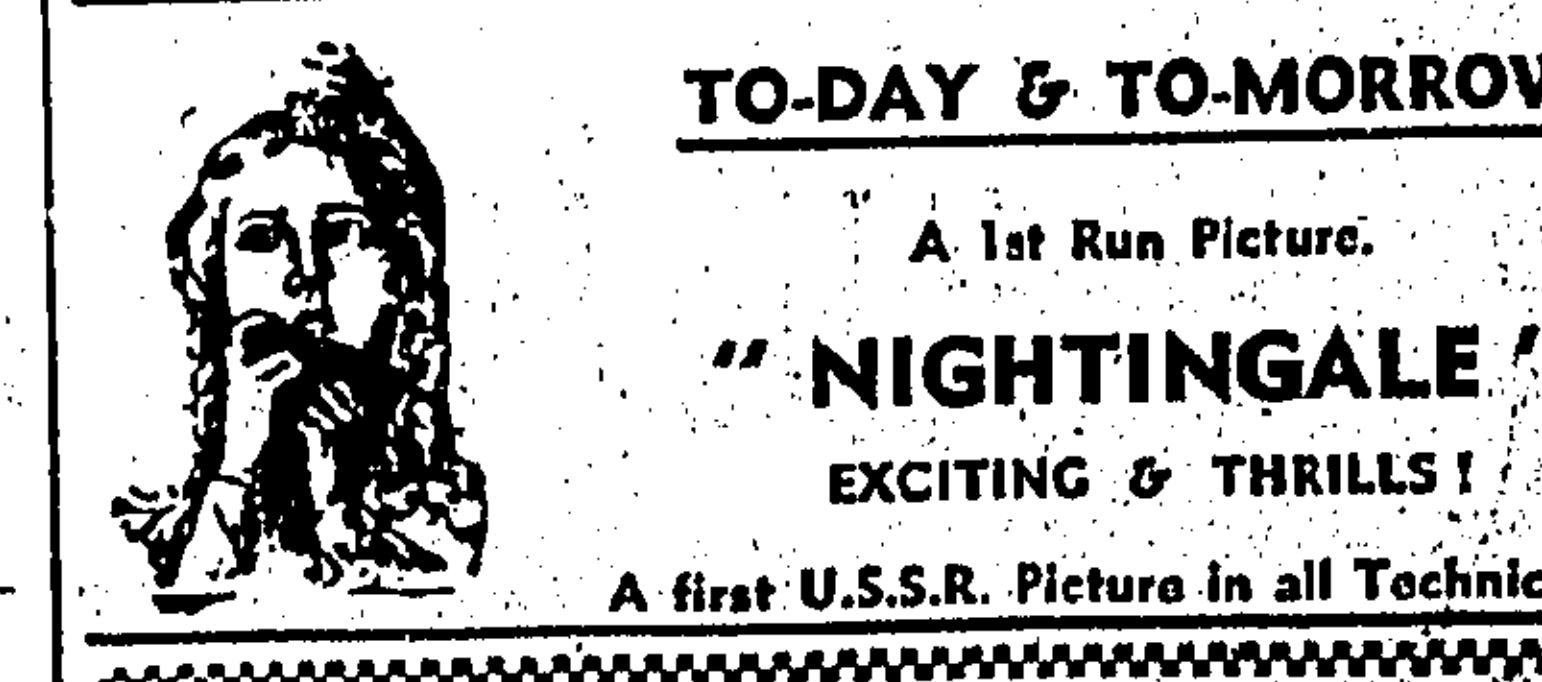
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## DAKAR ENTERPRISE IS ABANDONED IN ORDER TO AVOID BLOODSHED

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, SEPT. 25 (UP).—IT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THAT ALL ALLIED FORCES ARE BEING WITHDRAWN FROM DAKAR BECAUSE IT IS REALISED THAT ONLY A MAJOR BATTLE COULD SECURE VICTORY IN THAT REGION.

THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT OBSERVED THAT THE WITHDRAWAL WAS DECIDED UPON AFTER BRITISH WARSHIPS HAD SUNK TWO FRENCH SUBMARINES AND CARRIED OUT AN ARTILLERY DUEL WITH THE FRENCH BATTLESHIP RICHELIEU, AND THE SHORE BATTERIES.

Earlier in the day claims had been advanced that Dakar had been captured, but General de Gaulle corrected this impression by announcing that he and his followers had withdrawn overnight, and that to-day's action was carried out solely by British air and naval forces.

### Official Statement By British Govt.

Allied forces are now being withdrawn from the Dakar region in order to save the lives of Frenchmen, and the circumstances which led to their withdrawal are explained in a Ministry of Information announcement, says "Reuter."

#### Never Intended To Fight French

The announcement states that it had never been the intention of the British Government to enter into serious warlike operations against those Frenchmen who felt it their duty to obey the commands of the Vichy Government.

It further states: "General de Gaulle had good reason to believe, from the information which reached him, that a larger proportion of the French population in Senegal supported the Free French movement and would welcome his arrival and that a similar situation might be established there to that which exists in French Equatorial Africa."

## VICHY CLAIMS RENOWN HIT

### During Raid on Gibraltar

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, Sept. 25 (UP).—The claim that H.M.S. Renown had been hit and obliged to withdraw from Gibraltar as a result of Tuesday's raid is made in an official statement by the Vichy Government.

It is also declared that according to an unconfirmed report an unidentified plane sank a British destroyer off Gibraltar to-day.

According to the French, 100 tons of bombs were dropped on Gibraltar during Tuesday, damaging guns within the fortress.

#### Battleships Said Damaged

Referring to the Dakar engagement, the Vichy authorities claim that one or two British battleships which were shelling Dakar were torpedoed at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning and left the combat, listing badly.

French cruisers, it is declared, scored several direct hits on the Barham and Resolution as well as a cruiser of the Kent class.

Similar claims have been made by the French Admiralty at Dakar, which said that damage was inflicted on British warships by the guns of the Richelieu and shore batteries.

#### Attack Resumed

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—A Vichy communiqué issued by the TURN to Page 2, Column Three

### Kent Cruiser In Action

Former H.K. Warship

The French claim to have scored a direct hit on a British cruiser, formerly of the China Station, during the attack on Dakar. An announcement from Vichy says that French planes dropped nearly 100 tons of bombs on British naval units which were bombarding the town.

The 25,000-ton battleship, it is said, has been hit and an unnamed cruiser of the Kent class is a second victim claimed by Vichy.

The Kent class comprises five 10,000-ton cruisers which were in Hongkong off and on for three years up to quite recently. The ships are Berwick, Cornwall, Cumberland, Kent and Suffolk.

## AMERICANS IN ORIENT

### Evacuation Report Unconfirmed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Sept. (UP).

—Mr. Cordell Hull said to-day

that he was unable to confirm

newspaper reports that Admiral

Hart, Commander-in-Chief of

the U.S. Asiatic Fleet had been

discussing with U.S. Consular

authorities the question of

evacuating Americans from

Japan, China and Manchukuo in

the event of an emergency.

He declared that he had no

official confirmation of the

reported German-Japanese

alliance and added that on ac-

count of the rapid developments

in all parts of the world news

stories have been constantly

appearing from various points

which require time officially to

check.

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"He, therefore, proposed to His Majesty's Government that he should proceed there with some troops at his disposal with the goodwill and support of Great Britain."

"His Majesty's Government were all the more ready to afford General de Gaulle the support as information had reached them that German influence was spreading in Dakar."

#### Passed Through Gibraltar

Meanwhile, whilst the expedition was on passage, the Vichy Government despatched three cruisers from Toulon, which passed through the Straits of Gibraltar and eventually arrived at Dakar.

"It is no part of His Majesty's Government to interfere with the movements of French men-of-war so long as they are not destined for any ports under German control. For this reason, no hindrance was put in the way of the vessels in question passing through the Straits of Gibraltar."

"When, having done so, they pursued a southerly course, they were permitted to proceed. They, therefore, reached Dakar without interference."

"When later they put to sea again steaming south, it was thought that they might be intending to interfere with the situation existing in French Equatorial Africa, which has already declared for General de Gaulle."

#### Ships Turned Back

"Ships of the Royal Navy intercepted their passage and insisted upon their reversing their course, which they eventually did, two of them returning to Dakar and the third, which was suffering from engine trouble, being towed by one of His Majesty's ships towards Casablanca."

"On the morning of September 23, emissaries of General de Gaulle, flying the Tricolour and a white flag in a salute to show their French nationality and peaceful intentions, attempted to land at Dakar and were met with a hostile reception. They were fired upon and seriously wounded."

"Batteries of the port opened fire on one of General de Gaulle's warships."

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## Nazis Lose 23 Planes In Latest Air Raids

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Twenty-three enemy aircraft, of which 13 are bombers, were shot down to-day, and four British fighters are lost, of which three pilots are safe, announces the Air Ministry and the Ministry of Home Security.

Enemy aircraft crossed the Dorset coast to-day and attacked Bristol.

Bombs were dropped near the coast and in the outskirts of Bristol,

causing some damage and killing and injuring a number of people.

There has also been some minor enemy activity in south-east England.

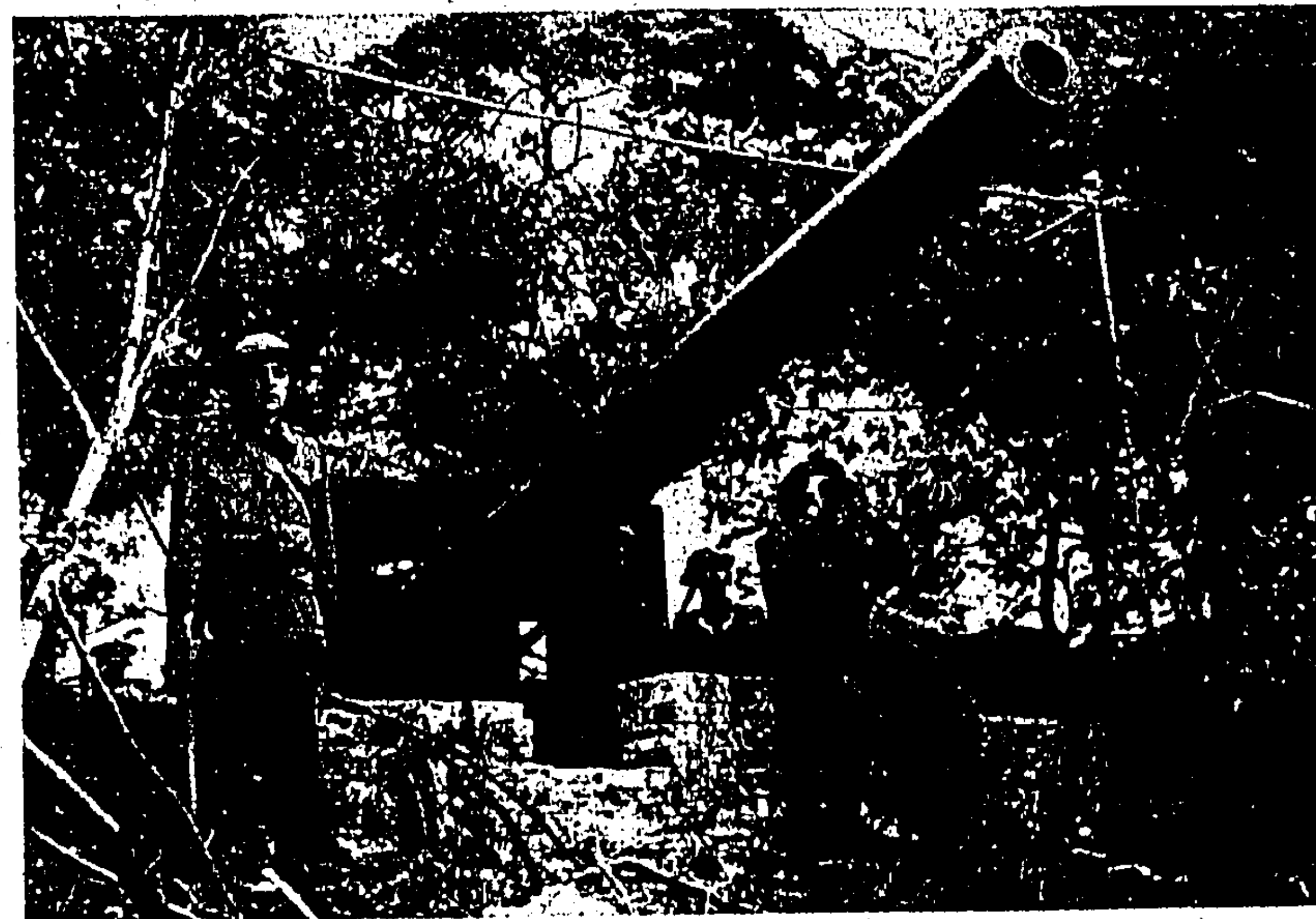
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## BRITAIN'S GUNS KEEP CEASELESS WATCH



Hitler may have fond hopes of one day attempting an invasion of Britain, but if and when he does, he will find awaiting him the most magnificent defences in the world. To-day, Britain's coasts are a mass of bristling guns where ceaseless watch, day and night, is kept by British and Dominion troops. In these two pictures we can gain some idea of the excellence of the Home defences.

## GERMAN CONVOY ATTACKED BY R.A.F.

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Further operations to-day by aircraft of the Coastal Command were described by the Air Ministry news service.

A bulletin issued to-day states that a Hudson aircraft sank a German supply ship near the Frisian Islands early this morning.

There were three enemy vessels in convoy and the Hudson made a dive-bombing attack on the largest one, which was leading. Three bombs made direct hits. The ship was settling down by the stern when the Hudson flew away followed by anti-aircraft fire from the two other vessels.

#### Brest Attacked

Brest was again attacked, this time by Beauforts and Anson aircraft. They set fire to infantry barracks, damaged the docks and started a vast fire on and around the railway sidings.

When Blenheim raided Cherbourg they had to contend with extremely bad visibility but all found their objectives.

## FRANCO TO SEE IL DUCE

Spain And The War

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Sept. 25 (Do-

mei).—It is reliably reported

that General Francisco

Franco is proceeding to

Rome shortly in order to

confer with Sig. Mussolini

regarding the Spanish par-

ticipation in the war.

Spain's war role was re-

ported to have been fully

discussed in Berlin this

afternoon when General

Suñer, the visiting Spanish

Interior Minister, was re-

ceived by Chancellor Hitler

in the presence of Herr von

Ribbentrop; the German

Foreign Minister.

May Soon Enter War

ROME, Sept. 25 (Doimel).—The

"Popolo di Roma" to-day hints that

Spain will soon decide to enter the

war on the side of the Axis powers.

The paper declared: "Italy with

happiness welcomes Spain's truly

historic decision and her solidarity

with those warring against Spain's

historic enemy.

"Spain is closing the circle against

England and is regaining her active

role in the Mediterranean and in

Africa."

According to well-informed circles,

Spain's entry into the war was dis-

cussed in Berlin between Hitler, Herr

von Ribbentrop and General Suñer,

the Spanish Home Minister.

## Indo-China Fighting Continues Unabated

## JAPANESE HURL 30,000 MEN AGAINST LAONGSON

Special to the "Telegraph"

HANOI, Sept. 25 (UP).—It is officially reported that the French forces have withdrawn from Laongson while the Japanese are encircling the town with superior numbers.

Thirty thousand Japanese are participating in the movement and because of their numerical inferiority the French do not expect to be able to do more than delay the Japanese advance.

## 7-HOUR AIR RAID

### Calais Shattered

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 25 (UP).—

The Royal Air Force swarmed

over Calais to-day and bombarded

the Channel port for seven

hours.

It is officially stated that barges

lying alongside the quays were hit

and that fires and explosions were

seen in many parts of the harbour.

Searchlight batteries on the quays

were machine-gunned and ex-

tinguished.

By 4 o'clock this morning more

than 30 fires were counted within

the dock area.

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Six

of the 50 destroyers recently sold by

the United States to Britain have

been commissioned in the Royal

Canadian Navy.

Official opinion stresses the

fact that the border clashes are

in the nature of "incidents," and

the impression is gaining that

the French are still hopeful of

a peaceful solution to the

problem.

The French deny that Chinese

forces have crossed the frontier at

any point.

Women and children are evacuating

Haiphong and Thanhua, which is a

possible coastal landing point 90

miles from Haiphong.

There is no indication that the

authorities are preparing to move the

capital.

Eight Japanese warships, including

transports, are now off Haiphong.

Vichy And Tokyo Puzzled

VICHY, 25 (UP).—An official an-

ouncement states that fighting con-

tinued in Indo-China throughout the

day on the Dongdang front. Both

Tokyo and Vichy state they are un-

able to understand the cause, and be-

lieve that it is due to local friction.

Numerous large loads of Japanese

troops appeared in Haiphong and the

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## AMERICANS SAID AIDING NAZIS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Sept. 25

(UP).—According to the

New York "Daily News",

the Axis Powers are re-

ceiving \$10,000,000 worth

of vital war materials

monthly through Spain,

Portugal, Mexico, Cuba

and Russia.

These supplies include

copper, oil, cotton and

machinery, asserts the

paper, which also alleges

that influential American

business firms have been

sponsoring Axis purchas-

ing agents.

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The whole of the work entered in the production of every entry must have been done by the competitors who will be required to make a declaration to this effect. Each entry must have pasted on the back a special entry form obtainable on application from The Hongkong Telegraph or from the Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Photographic Society. Subjects at the discretion of competitors.

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- 4.—The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.
- 5.—All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.
- 6.—No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.
- 7.—All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
- 8.—Pictures submitted to sections should be accompanied by smaller print in black and white.
- 9.—No picture to entered in more than one section.
- 10.—Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes:—10x12, 12x30.
- 11.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
- 12.—Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
- 13.—The decision of the Judges shall be final.
- 14.—At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors by special delivery of the telegraph.

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It has been brought to our notice that a certain Chinese person has been endeavouring to collect subscriptions on behalf of the South China Morning Post War Fund. The public is hereby notified that no authority has been granted in such connection and that on no account should money be paid to unauthorised persons.

Official receipts are issued by this Company to all subscribers. The public is hereby warned not to give donations to such person or persons, and is requested immediately to notify this office if requested so to do.

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## NAZIS LOSE 23 PLANES IN RAIDS

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but reports indicate little damage and few casualties.

The enemy was engaged by British fighters at all points.

**R.A.F. Counter-Attack**  
Throughout last night our bombers continued their systematic attacks on enemy invasion ports, including Brest, Ostend, Calais, Cherbourg and Le Havre.

Many fires and explosions resulted. In addition to attacks on Brest, other forces of our aircraft attacked the port of Dunkirk, and the railway communications near Magesburg, southwards of Honin and Brussels, gun emplacements at Cap Gris Nez and several aerodromes.

An aircraft of the Coastal Command attacked a convoy of enemy vessels off Terschelling last night. One of the vessels was hit by three bombs and left sinking.

Two of our aircraft were lost in the night operations.

#### Losses Now 23

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuters). An Air Ministry communiqué states that it is now known that 23 enemy aircraft have been destroyed to-day, three of them by anti-aircraft guns.

One fighter plane, previously reported lost, is safe.

Our losses, therefore, are four fighter aircraft. The pilots of three of them are safe.

**Addition To Sunday's Bag**  
LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuters). An Air Marshal Sir Arthur Barratt revealed to-day that on Sunday before last, three of the R.A.F. claimed 185 German planes, 47 more "almost certainly came down" and 17 more were damaged.

Sir Arthur, appealing to the thousands of men and women workers in the south-east area to produce planes, promised them: "You produce the planes and we, of the Air Force, will do the rest."

The Air Marshal, who was Commander-in-Chief of the R.A.F. in France before the French collapse, said that the downfall of their ally was entirely due to the fact that they could not think of anything but defence.

### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS DONATIONS IN MEMORY OF DROWNED CHILDREN

A total of \$1,346,233.84 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the South China Morning Post, Ltd. The latest donations are:

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## JAPANESE HURL 30,000 MEN

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Tongkin Gulf, whereupon the French-Japanese agreement.

Officials stated that should the Japanese attack Indo-China by trying to put more troops ashore at points not specified in the accord, the French would resist the same as at Dongding where 300 French and native troops re-occupied all the French frontier positions after forcing the Japanese to withdraw.

**Clash In Kwangsi**  
CHUNGKING, Sept. 26 (Reuters). An unconfirmed report states that Chinese troops in south-west Kwangsi have already been engaged with the Japanese attacking Indo-China.

The value of the Burma Road to China in the event of the Japanese occupying northern Indo-China is causing some concern at Chungking. It is thought that Japanese aircraft will be able to patrol the road from dawn to dusk and traffic thus will be only possible at night and will be greatly reduced even if Britain agrees to re-open the road after October 17.

### "Peaceful" Landing

TOKYO, Sept. 26 (Reuters). Japanese military forces were scheduled to land at Haiphong on September 25 under the terms of the Franco-Japanese accord, states a communiqué issued by the headquarters of the Japanese Expeditionary forces in South China.

"We expect that landing at Haiphong to be effected peacefully and amicably under the terms of the agreement," continues the communiqué.

**Will Resist Says Indo-China**  
A "Reuters" message from Hanoi which was despatched yesterday but delayed in transit, says that the authorities at Haiphong announce that if the Japanese try to land troops at Haiphong while the "incident" on the northern border remains unsettled, the landing will be resisted.

"According to a communiqué issued yesterday by the Japanese military authorities, the Japanese actually landed some troops at Haiphong yesterday."

## VICHY CLAIMS RENOWN HIT

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French Admiral says that the attack on Dakar was resumed just after 11 a.m. today.

It adds: "One of the two torpedoed British battleships withdrew from the action with a strong list."

Dealing with yesterday's operations, the communiqué repeats the details already announced and adds: "In the course of the engagement our cruisers scored several hits on the battleship and Resolvent as well as on a cruiser of the Kent type."

**Tangier Sees Bombs**  
TANGIER, Sept. 25 (Reuters). Relays of French bombers passed over Tangier between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. today.

The subsequent bombing of Gibraltar was clearly audible here.

**French Continue Air Raids**  
LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuters). French planes continued to bomb Gibraltar this morning according to an Alger dispatch to the German news agency.

The dispatch adds that units of the French fleet, which had been stationed in the Straits yesterday, continued on their course towards the Atlantic.

**French Version**  
VICHY, Sept. 25 (Reuters). It is officially announced that by way of reprisal, a large French air force bombarded Gibraltar yesterday, dropping 45 tons of bombs on the arsenal and the southern part of the south mole.

A large ship in port was hit. A huge number of fires was observed. All the planes returned to their bases despite lively anti-aircraft fire from the British guns.

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## DAKAR ENTERPRISE

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and subsequently on His Majesty's ships, which were standing by in order to render General de Gaulle support and assistance if needed.

"Before returning the French fleet, the Admiral commanding made the following signal in plain language: 'Will be compelled to return fire unless fire ceases.'"

"As the fire from the shore batteries did not cease, the fire was returned and both His Majesty's ships and shore batteries incurred casualties."

"Fire from the French battleship Richelieu was joined to that of the shore batteries, and subsequently her fire had to be returned."

**Submarine Attack On Royal Navy**  
The British naval commander warned the French authorities that submarines would be engaged if they left harbour. In spite of this warning, three submarines made attacks on our ships and active measures had to be taken against them with the result that two were sunk, but the entire crew of one was fortunately saved and will be repatriated at the first opportunity.

"The forces of General de Gaulle attempted to make a landing which was not successful and when it became plain that only a major operation would secure the fall of Dakar, it was decided to discontinue hostilities as it had never been the intention of His Majesty's Government to enter into serious warfare against those Frenchmen who felt it their duty to obey the commands of the Vichy Government."

General de Gaulle himself was most anxious that he should not be the cause of bloodshed to his fellow countrymen.

"The forces concerned are, therefore, now being withdrawn from the region of Dakar."

**Vichy Not Declaring War**  
LONDON, Sept. 26 (UP).—The Foreign Office has officially stated that the Vichy Government does not consider General de Gaulle's attack made at Dakar with the assistance of the British navy, sufficient cause for Vichy to declare war on Britain.

## Italy To Join New Alliance

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
SHANGHAI, Sept. 26 (UP).—It is authoritatively reported from Tokyo that Italy is to become a signatory to the Japanese-German defensive alliance.

The alliance, which envisages action by the Japanese in the event of Anglo-U.S. collaboration in the Far East, has as yet only been agreed upon in principle.

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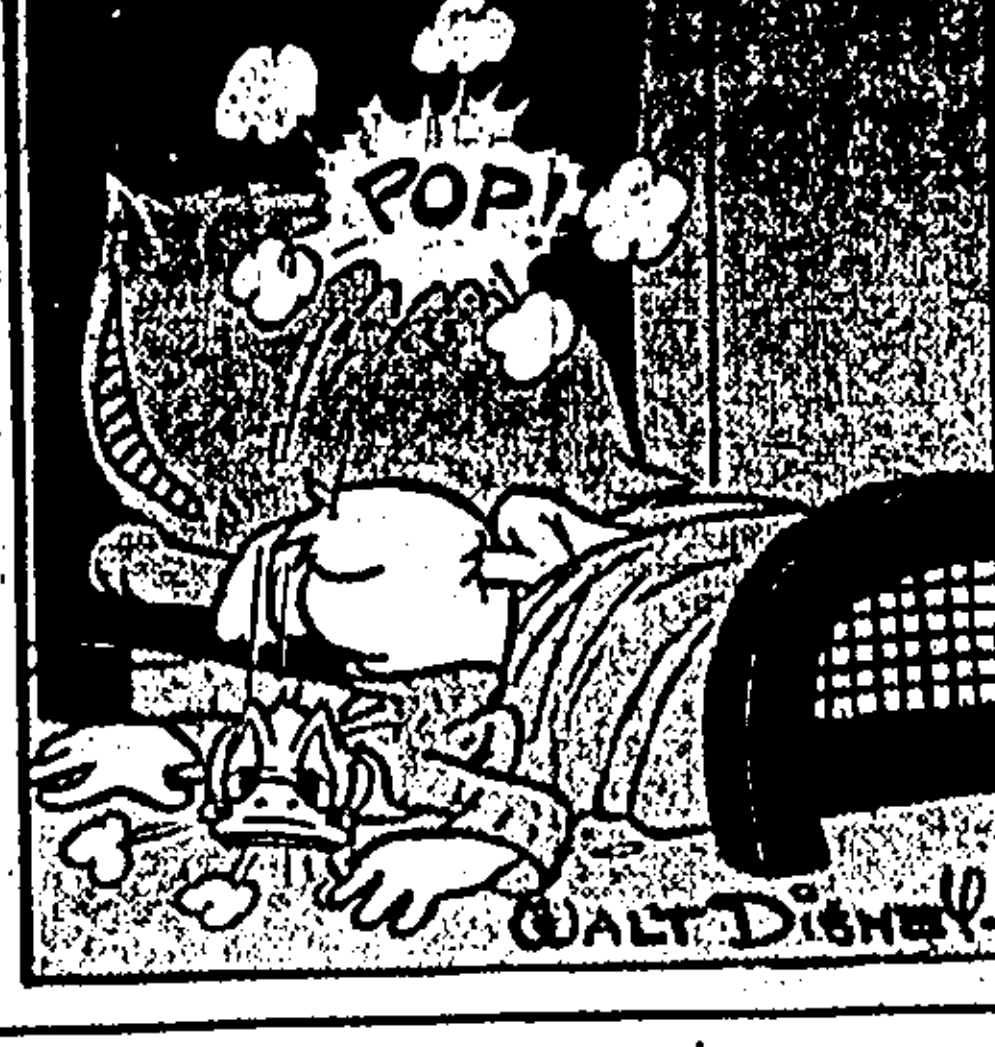
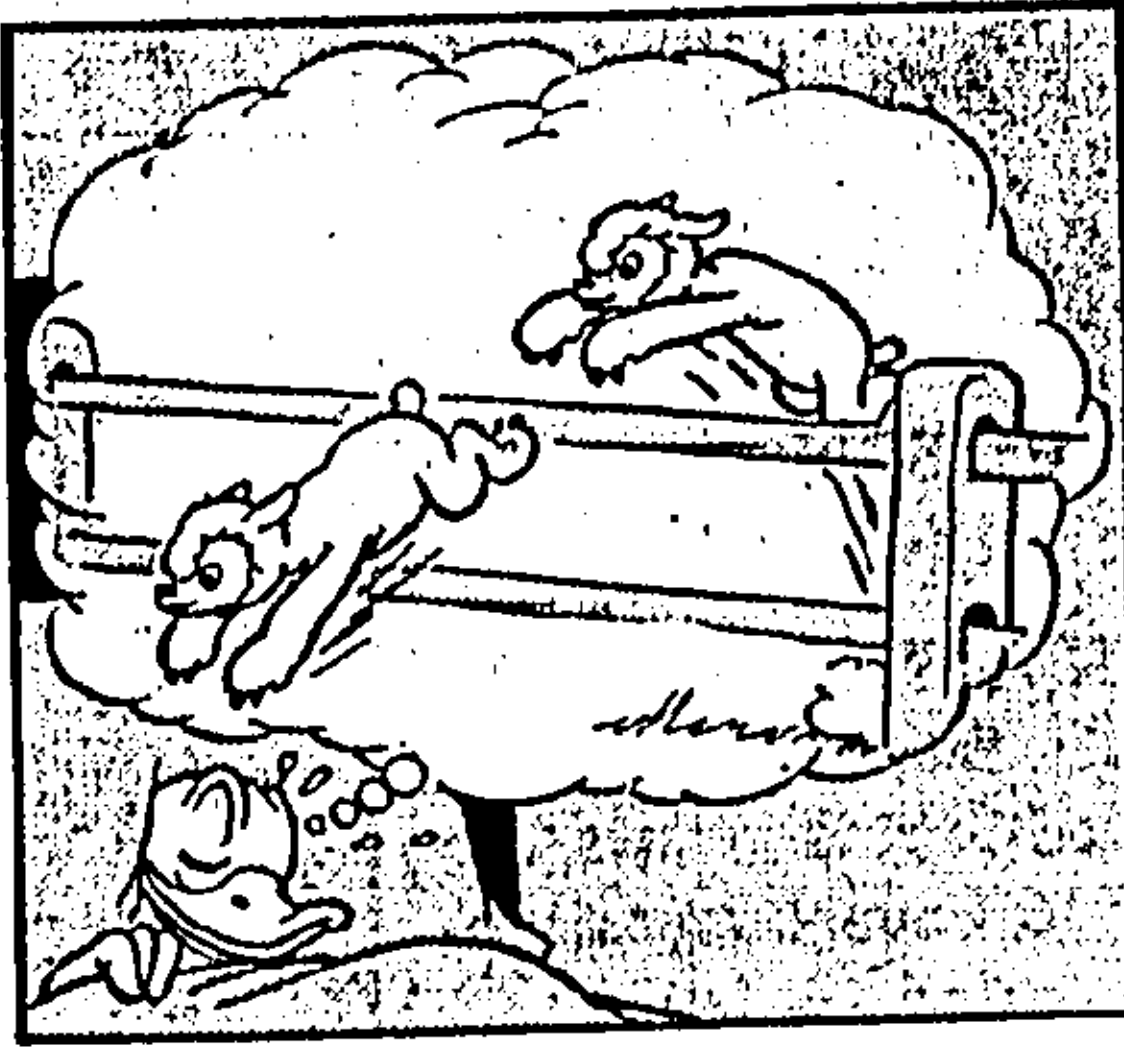
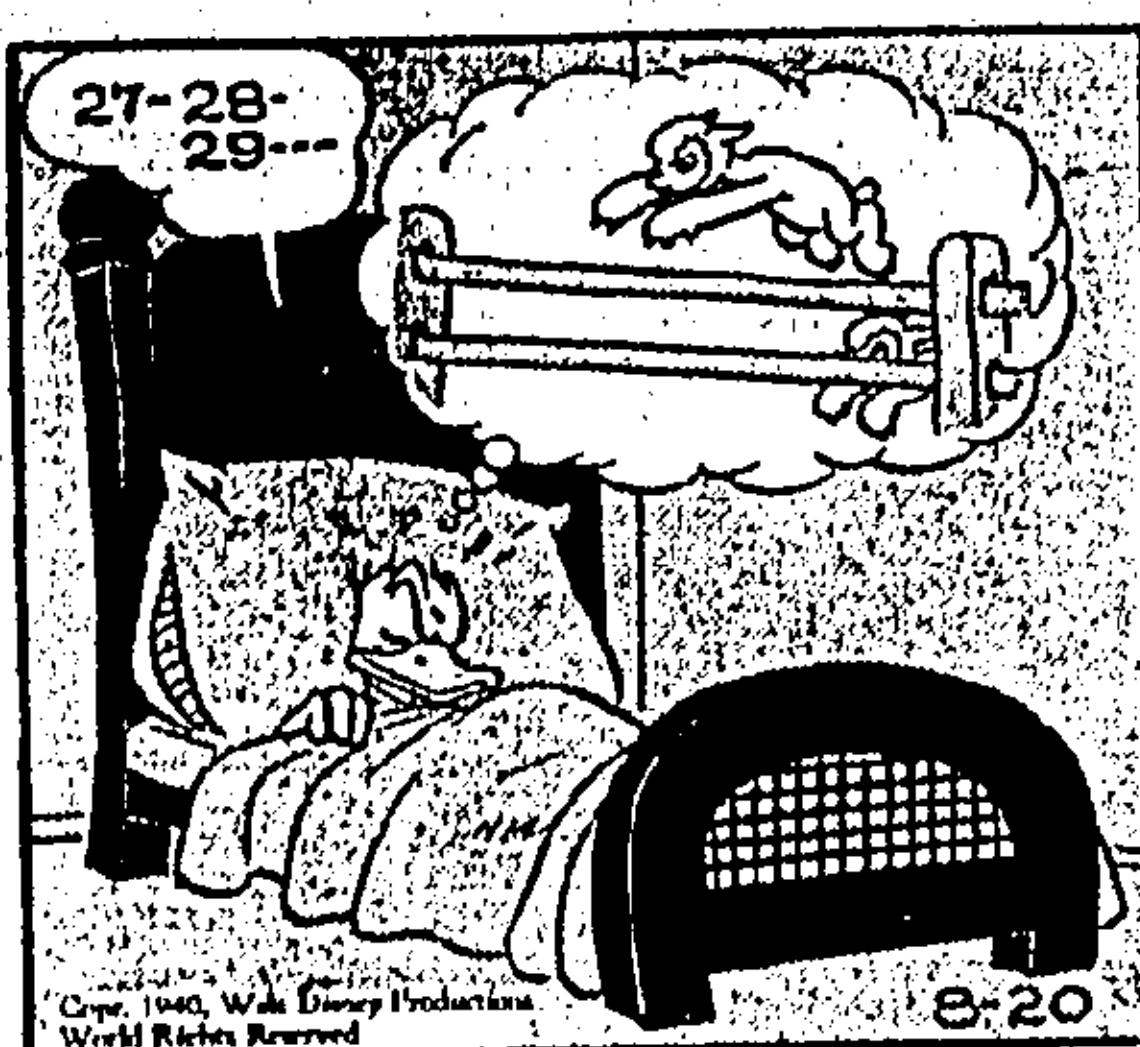
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## DOUBTS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

By HILAIRE BELLOC

WE are all clear by this time on the central point of any military business, which central point is a knowledge of the enemy's mind. In proportion as we are right on that we are on the way to victory; in proportion to our error upon the enemy's mind we are on the way to suffering surprise and consequent defeat.

Now the most important document we have at the moment for discovering the enemy's mind is the declaration issued by him to the effect that he had abandoned the project of invasion and had fallen back upon a policy of attrition.

He now proposes (or says he proposes) the wearing down of this country by his efforts at blockade and his attacks on our shipping.

This declaration may have one of two contradictory objects, and proceed from one of two opposite motives. It may have for its object a ruse to deceive his opponents and put them off their guard, or it may have for its object the real information which it purports to give.

Its motive may be to deceive; or it may be inspired by that strange policy of full statement to which the enemy has resorted before, and the value and meaning of which will be discussed in a moment. Our first business, then, is to

decide which of these two mutually exclusive characters attaches to this momentous declaration.

## For and Against

We cannot be certain of making a right decision upon this. Even if we arrive at a right decision on what the enemy intends by his declaration, and on what effect he desires to achieve by it, the enemy himself might change his intention in the future. But what we can do is to weigh the arguments for and against either hypothesis.

The arguments in favour of this public avowal of abandoning the project of invasion being a ruse are simple and should be clear to all. Since the beginning of recorded warfare the deception of an opponent with the object of furthering one's chances of surprise has been a main part of military policy.

The first conclusion to which anyone will come on hearing that his enemy has proclaimed such and such an intention is to decide that he does in fact entertain another intention. In other words, the first and most obvious conclusion on this important declaration is to regard it as a bluff.

But there are arguments on the other side to be considered. The strongest of these

is the fact that the enemy's General Staff has, from the time of its founding under Frederick the Great allowed this element of open revelation to play some part in its scheme side by side with out rousing lying.

Why does the enemy adopt this occasional policy of revealing his general plans? His main reason would seem to be the confidence which the carrying out of the plan produces.

It breeds confidence in his own forces, and it makes those opposed to him say to themselves, "When the enemy told us, on such and such an occasion, what he was going to do and the general lines which he proposed to follow, all went according to plan and he succeeded. Therefore, now that he is threatening this or that, he will probably succeed again."

Another motive for this singular method—in the use of which the enemy is unique—is the establishment of a bond between his armed forces and those who command them. Napoleon appreciated that bond—the value of taking his troops into his confidence—and more than once, notably during his early career in Italy, it was his mainstay.

## Method of Attrition

Further a decision to abandon direct attack and rely

upon attrition would, as things now are, be reasonable; the period most favourable for attack is past and the maintenance of enemy communications over sea becomes daily more hazardous. Lastly there is the enormous growth of expenditure and the menace of such a liability to a commercial state.

It may be, then, that the probability lies in favour of this declaration being straightforward, that the enemy has determined to switch over from the aim of invasion to the aim of attrition.

If this conclusion on our part prove sound it follows that his next field of action will be the Mediterranean. The enemy calculates minutely, his prolonged and detailed preparation is his principal quality, but it involves corresponding defects, the chief of which is great expenditure of time.

The delay which has been caused by his experiments and rehearsals (including, presumably, training in disembarkation, such training being carried out at a distance where it cannot easily be watched) has given this country time to organise its defence and continually to increase its striking power by air. And, of course, we must not in any way slacken the vigilance of our watch or weaken our preparations for defence because the enemy wishes us to think he will not attack.

The Mediterranean has meant many different things strategically in the course of the 150 years—since the "Glorious First of June," and

especially since the subsequent Battle of the Nile.

But its chief strategic meaning since the introduction of rapid and certain marine communication and the piercing of the Isthmus of Suez has been its function as the High-way to the East and in particular to India, whereupon the whole British position, commercial and political, depends.

Anyone can see that the whole structure of British power has for its keystone (granted secure possession of the Bab-el-Mandeb at the issue of the Red Sea) the Suez Canal and its approaches, Egyptian and Syrian. Loosen that keystone and the arch is shaken.

## Lisbon's Influence

Until quite recent times the Mediterranean was strategically one sea. And we still talk and think in terms of its being one sea. But strategically it becomes two seas so long as the central position of Italy and the Italian islands, including Pantelleria (now fortified), remains unbroken and formidable.

This separation of the Eastern from the Western Mediterranean has become more and more evident with every new weapon, and particularly with every development of modern air power.

In the old days it used to be said with justice that he who had the use of Lisbon commanded the Mediterranean. It was the knowledge of this, which gave all its meaning to our Portuguese alliance.

For the mouth of the Tagus, with its miles of sheltered inland water, commands the Straits. To-day a fleet in the Tagus, though it ensures a hold on the Western Mediterranean, does not as fully affect the now separate Eastern Mediterranean, until the central interruption formed by the Italian possessions ceases to be a menace.

## my son, my son!

Nellie and I continued to live together in an emotional climate of mutual toleration—one of those relationships where deep differences are rigidly kept below the surface for the sake of the children, for the sake of appearances before others, for the sake of an outwardly orderly existence.

Things were easier when Oliver a couple of years later, went off to public school, and later to Balliol.

Nellie withdrew deeper and deeper into her religion, while I abandoned myself to my work, producing book after book with one unflagging purpose, to increase my artistic standing and my fortune by making each book better than the last.

I decided to do a novel about the Yorkshire coal mining people, and in accordance with my custom I went into the district to live among the people about whom I intended writing, to observe their lives and their customs at first hand, to absorb their language and their ways of thought.

Informing no one of my exact intentions, I secured a job as an ordinary labourer in the mines owned by Pagon, whose son, was a classmate of Oliver's.

Oliver had just turned nineteen at the time, a handsome lad of tremendous charm, whose winsomeness and ready wit carried him through many a scrape into which his spoiled impudence got him both in and out of school.

At the end of my second day's work in the mine, as I was emerging from the shaft in a lift with a group of other miners, the manager beckoned me aside. In my rough clothes, countryman's cap and smudged face, I must have looked a convincing miner, for it seemed that a young lady

artist, who had been commissioned to make sketches of the mine and its surroundings, desired to draw me as a typical mine worker.

"Would you like to make a sketch?" the young lady asked me brightly.

Carefully keeping in my Yorkshireman's character, I surveyed her deliberately. The head above her shapeless snuck was crowned with a mass of light yellow hair, in which the waning sun, peering in through the windows of the rude mine office, made a strange lustre.

The features were delicately chiseled, the nostrils sensitive, the lips somewhat tight but quick to curl up at the corners, the chin delicately pointed and apt to tilt high. I looked, but permitted my face to betray nothing.

"A bob?" I answered her in my best Yorkshire drawl. "I might."

"Well, just stand over there by the wall and let me make a sketch of you."

"All of me?"

"Yes."

"That would be worth two bob." She acquiesced with a laugh, and began her drawing. I stood submissively by the wall while she sketched with rapid, businesslike strokes.

"What do you do in the mine?" inquired the artist without looking up.

"Oh," She paused. "Do you like your work?"

"Do you mean to keep on asking questions?" I demanded. "It'll cost you another bob if you do."

"I'm not that interested," she retorted. "Turn your profile, please." I continued to gaze at her. "Side view, please!"

I presented my profile, and she resumed her sketching. "Do you

do that for a living?" I asked her, "or just to amuse yourself?"

"If I answer, it'll cost you a bob," she said; then added, her mouth twitching, "I do it for a living."

A few minutes more, and she had finished. She showed me the drawing, which I praised lavishly; then she paid me my two shillings. I deliberately bit at the coin, then rang it on a piece of metal, then pocketed it and walked away without a word.

When I had washed up, changed into more livable clothes, and had my supper at the inn, I went for a stroll through the outskirts of the town, meditatively flipping my two-shilling coin.

It eluded my palm and rolled around a bend in the road. When I caught up with it a slender young lady with a travelling bag was picking it up from the road. It was my artist friend.

She recognised me, despite my somewhat altered appearance, and heatedly accused me of having defrauded her by posing as a typical miner.

I protested that I was a miner—an anxious deliver in my own mine that yielded an occasional gem—and sometimes just plain muck.

"That gives me a clue," she exclaimed. "You must be a writer!"

I bowed a humble acknowledgment.

"It's all very interesting, I'm sure," said the lady, "but I haven't time to stand here talking. I've a train to catch."

I lapsed quickly into my workmanlike manner and speech. "Carry your bag for a shilling, mum?"

Never in my life had I talked so animatedly to anyone as we walked to the station, discussing the work we did.



She, too, seemed to enjoy it enormously.

"I never knew talking to a woman could be like this," I suddenly exclaimed.

"What do you mean?"

"Well, I—I never knew a woman who did anything—who had a career, as you call it. I didn't know a woman could be beautiful and young and intelligent—all at the same time."

She faltered in her step for a moment and stared at me. In that instant, I think, we both realised how tremendously important was this meeting for both of us.

We walked on, and fell to discussing the current work of authors. She had, it seemed, been reading "Every Street," the newest work of one William Essex. I expressed interest, while she approved Essex's writing, she poked fun at his portrayal of feminine characters. This fellow Essex, she believed, knew nothing at all about women.

"But the critics like his love scenes," I protested.

"The critics are men," she laughed. "Now don't stand there and tell me you'd make love like William Essex!"

Unconsciously, we both stopped. I looked at her, and said slowly, "I might have once, I wouldn't now. Not after to-night. I'd say—I'd say—"

Before I knew it my arms were about her, straining her to me. Without hesitation her arms went about my neck. I kissed her fervently.

"Oh, my darling!"

It lasted only a moment. Then I withdrew from her embrace and gripped her almost fiercely by her shoulders. The words tumbled from my lips.

"I had no right to do that. I'm not a free man. But I shall love you forever and ever. I knew it from the first moment I heard your voice—from the first moment I saw your face. . . . No, don't speak. Don't tell me anything about yourself. It isn't safe for me to know. I must never see you again."

Her lips trembled, and her eyes filled with tears.

"Please, please . . . not tears!" I whispered. "I don't think I can bear that!"

"I shall be in tears when I'm alone again."

I gazed at her for another moment, then turned abruptly and walked away.

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### Plans For Invasion

There are those in Great Britain who believe, and seemingly with some reason, that Germany will attempt invasion of the British Isles at many points simultaneously. The enemy is assembling troops in the western fjords of Norway and gathering together a great number of small craft, including motor boats of the Norwegian fishing fleet. It is now estimated that nearly 200,000 German troops are in Norway. Similarly, troops are being concentrated at many points along the Dutch, Belgian and French coasts, with concentrations of barges and motor-boats and other types of sea craft. If, eventually, there is invasion, the German strategy might well be to attempt it at a number of points on the coasts of the British Isles in the hope that one or more landings could be established from the standpoint of defence, that would mean that the enemy would be dispersing his strength. Wherever he landed he would be met with resistance from the sea, the air and the land. Great Britain's internal communications are so good that troops in sufficient numbers could be sent speedily to any point threatened.

Any destruction that Germany can wreak from the air on the British Isles will be valueless as paving the way to invasion, so long as the Royal Navy controls the seas. The enemy's High Command knows this full well, more and more now, air bombardment is being concentrated on shipping in the effort to destroy both naval and merchant vessels. The results cannot be encouraging to the Germans. The extravagant claims they make of destruction of tonnage have been disproved again and again. Their air is not functioning to anything like the extent desired, and so long as it fails, successful invasion remains as a possibility. The air defences of the British Isles have taken the measure of attacks by bombers, no matter how well they are defended by fighters during their raids. All German raids are hit and run efforts. Even their fighters accompanying the bombers do not abide the issue; they are invariably driven off; it is the British who are on the offensive in defence.

All this does not mean that German air attacks will not be intensified. They will, and at all the greater risk. Before however, Germany launches an attack from the sea she must achieve far greater successes in the air than any so far evident. If she contemplates an invasion through the medium of small craft, thousands of these would have to be employed, and therefore the targets they offer would be multiplied. Such a programme would be a venture of the highest order, and one showing absolute disregard for loss of life. There is no doubt that Herr Hitler is astute enough to recognise that any unsuccessful attempt at invasion on a large scale which suffered drastic defeat would severely injure his prestige, and put heart of grace in the peoples he has conquered. He may have some novel methods to employ, but they are not apparent, and, in any case, the only method that could succeed would be the landing of sufficient troops and mechanical equipment in the British Isles to gain a victory. What that would mean, in the way of shipping or in aerial transport, can be readily envisaged. Moreover, it

## Filipinos Doubt Defence Strength

BY RICHARD C. WILSON  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MANILA, Sept. 26 (UP).—Filipino efforts to make the Philippines safe from military invasion by the time the United States grants the islands independence in 1946 have been abandoned, informed sources revealed to-day.

Germany's smashing victories over small nations in Europe has convinced Filipino leaders that they must look to the United States for protection from aggressor nations.

First steps toward closer co-ordination of Philippine Commonwealth armed forces and those of the United States in the islands were believed to have been taken during recent conferences between Commonwealth President Manuel L. Quezon, U. S. High Commissioner Francis B. Sayre and Maj. Gen. George Grunert, commander of the U. S. Army's Philippine Department.

Maj. Gen. Douglas MacArthur, former U. S. Army chief of staff and for the last five years military adviser to Quezon, did not participate in the conferences.

MacArthur's plan for making the Philippines safe from aggression after 1946 has been sharply curtailed. Instituted in 1936, the MacArthur programme was being carried out independent of American schemes for defending the islands prior to their independence in 1946. Instead of training 40,000 men annually, as provided in MacArthur's plan, the Commonwealth has decided to train but 20,000 each year.

Quezon is understood to have informed Washington that the Commonwealth government desires to co-operate fully with the

U. S. defence programme and will welcome the sending of U. S. Army conscripts to the Philippines for training.

The mercurial Filipino president has indicated no change in his avowed desire to see the islands become completely independent in 1946, although he has made few remarks publicly of late about independence.

In announcing emasulation of the MacArthur programme, Quezon said he no longer believed the Commonwealth could make itself impregnable to invasion with the limited finances available for defence. Under the MacArthur programme, the Commonwealth has been spending approximately \$4,500,000 annually on military preparations.

General MacArthur's programme was based on the thesis that the islands could be defended through a mass training programme in which every man would be a potential fighter. But the anomaly of the situation became apparent after the Nazi invasion of the Low countries last May.

Even though the islands possessed a huge trained army, this would be helpless unless equipped with modern arms. The Philippine Army possesses a "navy" composed of two 55-foot torpedo boats, a flying force of about 35 small planes, and no large coastal guns. Quezon frankly doubted his

## LEARN TO BE A SNIPER

First—judge your distance

By George Millar

A LIFE-SIZE cardboard man knelt under the juniper tree, his eyeless "face" peering between two bracken clumps out over the brown heath. Six rifle shots, six black holes jumped into the yellow face. Larks whirled up over the heath, otherwise there was no sign of life.

Six young officers, two of them Australians, lay on the firing line, faces clamped down on cheekpads, senses centred on telescopic sights, trigger fingers gently squeezing. Each rifle spat six rounds at the nine-inch black square on each target, 100 yards away.

Four of the men had 1½ inch groups—officially "perfect" shooting—and the instructor told me that earlier in the morning there had been a half-inch group.

I WATCHED those things at the Sniping School of the Alder-

could only be a piecemeal venture which could be met and defeated in a piecemeal manner.

It is significant, even now, at a time when Germany still possesses numerical superiority in the air, that it is the Royal Air Force that shows the greater initiative, daring and skill, and is inflicting far more damage on Germany's military and naval establishments than is being done by the enemy in reprisal. Great Britain is more and more taking the offensive in the air with the weapon which Germany has claimed: will lead to the downfall of the British Empire.

shot Command, where selected officers and men of the British Army are given three-week courses. I went to the Sniping School to ask the experts who run it what hints they could give to L.D.V.s.

Their answers, collectively, were:—  
L.D.V.s should accept every opportunity offered them of musketry practice on miniature or open ranges. This part of the job can only be learned by practice and individual instruction. It is the most important part.

Next comes the art of judging distance. Every L.D.V. man should be able to judge distances accurately by eye up to 600 yards. This is how to learn. Take a central point, stand your section on it, and fix flags (or anything else easily seen) in several spots exactly 100 yards from the section. Every man gets the "look" of 100 yards firmly fixed in his head.

Next walk your section up to some selected object, say, a tree, telling yourself the distance of the L.D.V. man every man to stop and stand when he believes he is exactly 100 yards from the tree. Then measure the distance out with a surveyor's tape.

You will find that some men have stopped too far away, some too near, some (perhaps) exactly on the spot. Measure from the nearest man to the farthest.

This distance, when I did it at the Sniping School, was about thirty yards, a big margin of error in a guess at 100 yards. Practice and measure until your section's margin of error is small.

THEN measure out longer distances up to 300 yards. Make each man in the section estimate these distances (in fifty-yard units like the sighting of his rifle). They must use their knowledge of what 100 yards at the rifle. Your sub-machine-gun looks like, splitting up the distance into half-a-hundred yards over, at ranges even greater than 1,000 yards, will get results.

mean more German victims for L.D.V. rifles. Fifty yards under-estimation of the range means that your bullet strikes 4½ ins. low at 300 yards. Fifty yards over-estimation, and it flies 3 ins. high. That might easily mean the difference between a Boche helmet and the space between a Nazi's eyes.

For distances greater than 300 yards it is best to use the "appearance method." Space out men at distances from 300 to 600 yards and get your section familiarised with the look of them and other objects of more or less standard size—like the doorways of houses near them. You will see that at 400 a man's body outline remains firm, but his face is blurred, at 600 his head is a dot, his body a post.

THERE are four other proved "aids" you can use to help you set your sights accurately. They are:—  
(1) Halve the distance. Judge the half distance. Multiply by two.  
(2) Take the shortest estimate in your section or group of men, then take the longest estimate and take the mean estimate as your range. They call this "bracketing."  
(3) Get each man to make an estimate, then take the average.  
(4) Most accurate of all. If you have a good map—use it.

One of the instructors at the Sniping School said to me, "The rifle is a tool, telling power, possibilities of the L.D.V. man. The men themselves know it. Last Saturday I heard 2,000 of them turned up at a certain range. Now this is how I would organise their rifle power."

"ON each L.D.V. sector I would pick a number of firing points, covering it if possible the whole sector. In each firing point I would fix boards with range cards set on them marking the firing points. The firing points would not need to be occupied. But when the alarm came, the commander would order his men to whichever points covered the area. The men would get to their station, sight the enemy, know his exact range. Money for jam. There is a tendency now to 'sneer' unless except at short ranges. Six or more men with rifles, firing at ranges even greater than 1,000 yards, will get results."

"COME ON, MUG!"



government could afford the cost of the armaments necessary to defend 7,000 islands.

its manpower and fighting equipment in the Philippines. Prior to this year, little new equipment had been sent to U. S. Army posts here on the theory American armed forces would be withdrawn from the islands in 1946.

Working quietly, the U. S. Army substantially increased the number of technicians and aviation personnel. Nichols Field, on the outskirts of Manila, has become a beehive of activity with dozens of new army planes arriving each month.

Although two additional barracks were recently built to house the enlarged personnel, many non-commissioned officers must live in nearby Paranaque. All available living quarters at Fort Stotsenburg, 67 miles north of Manila, are reported filled.

Differing from MacArthur's programme of large infantry detachments, the U. S. Army's scheme of defence appears to be based on small, well-trained and highly mobile units, backed by an air force. These units travel in caravans of speedy trucks which also tow field guns and other weapons. Much mobile equipment has been received here in recent months.

What effect the Commonwealth government's revision in its military programme will have on General MacArthur's status as military adviser to Quezon has become a subject of conjecture among Manilans.

MacArthur came to Manila early in 1936 following his retirement as U. S. Army chief of staff. Shortly after he instituted his defence programme for the Commonwealth government, Quezon appointed him Field Marshal in the Philippine Army.

## Navy Wanted To Teach Him Photography

MR. HENRY HARRIS, one of the most experienced professional film cameramen in Great Britain, has given an example of red tape and delay in recruiting.

He sought to join the Navy as an official cameraman.

"I was told," he said, "that I should have to undergo a six months' training course on photography, and that my experience counted for nothing."

"The Admiralty frequently engages civilian newscam cameramen, who get their salaries of £15 a week and over."

"I have photographed dozens of British films, including 'The Stars Look Down' and 'This Man in Paris'. I am invited to join as an A.S. at 1s. 4d. a day to be taught."

"It was informed that men are already in training, many quite inexperienced, and that even if I joined the course could not begin for at least a month."



## Thirty Fires In Calais Docks R.A.F. Raids Hitler's Big Power Stations Invasion Bases Attacked

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—The Finkenheerd power station, 300 miles from Germany's western frontier, was located at 10.30 p.m. and twice attacked with high explosive bombs.

The bombs were seen to burst in and around the target, states the Air Ministry news service, describing R.A.F. raids last night on enemy power stations, aerodromes and seaports.

The Hanover aerodrome was bombed from a high level but at The Hague a British bomber came down to 2,000 feet and dropped bombs on the hangar and runway.

Night flying by the enemy was in progress at the time of the attack. A parachute flare revealed the wreckage of a hangar destroyed in a previous attack.

### Calais Docks Attacked

Other forces of bombers operating at short range kept up the nightly hammering of enemy invasion ports, while these long distance raids were being carried out, from Hamburg to Le Havre. The Calais docks were subjected to a series of attacks lasting nearly seven hours.

Barges lying alongside quays, and quays were hit, fires and explosions were seen in many parts of the harbour and searchlight batteries on the quays were machine-gunned and extinguished.

Before 3 a.m., to-day over 30 fires were burning within the docks, two being seen far out to sea.

Raiders on Le Havre continued intermittently over the same length of time.

Violent explosions marked a direct hit on what appeared to be the harbour power station.

German long range gun positions at Cap Gris Nez were attacked shortly before dawn and a number of hits were registered on emplacements under construction.

## Music Exams Results

### Hongkong Successes

The following are the results of the local Trinity College of Music, London Theory Examination held in July 1940, at the University of Hongkong, as supplied by the Local Secretary of the Trinity College of Music, London.

Miss Rosabel Hsu having now passed the full Diploma Examination has obtained the degree of Licentiate of the College (L.T.G.L.). Other awards are as follows:

### Examination of Teacher's Diploma

Chao Eugene (Art of Teaching and Rudiments), Piller Marie Teresa (Rudiments only).

### Advance Intermediate Division

Honours: Chan Charles.

### Intermediate Division

Honours: Ip Laura, Tse Lai Ching.

### Junior Division

Honours: Osmund Irene, Reia Marie Alice, Souza Irene.

### Preparatory Division

Honours: Baptista Antonio.

## CHINESE SUPPORT WAR FUND

Two generous donations to the War Fund have been received through the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. They are: Chinese Medical Dealers' Association \$1,000, and The Fish Dealers' Guild, \$200.

These bring the total to the time of going to press to \$1,347,433.84.

## GANDHI CRITICISED

### Mr. Amery's Declaration

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Regret that leaders of the Indian National Congress had rejected the Viceroy's offer was expressed by Mr. L. S. Amery, Secretary for India and Burma, in a speech in London.

Mr. Amery said: "I fully recognise the sincerity of Gandhi's peaceful convictions. The practical question is: How is he to reconcile his demand on his own behalf and on behalf of Congress, of freedom to choose the constitution with his own statement which I sincerely welcome, that he does not wish to embarrass the Government in its conduct of the war?"

### To Meet Viceroy

Referring to the coming interview between Lord Linlithgow and Gandhi, Mr. Amery expressed the hope that the outcome might be agreement both with Gandhi's conscientious objections to war in general and with the Viceroy's no less conscientious conviction and duty to allow nothing to stand in the way of India's wholehearted effort to play her part in the struggle which concerned her present welfare and security and the ideal which her peoples held dear.

## Suner With Hitler

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Senior Suner, Spanish Minister for the Interior, had an hour's talk with Hitler to-day.

Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, was present at the conversation, reports the German news agency.

## King Inspects The Home Guard



The King paid a visit of inspection to Essex L.D.V.s recently. Here are some of the men marching past.

## "All Canadians" Win Laurels Wonderful Record In Defence Of London —Fight Over Thames

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—A wonderful record in the defence of London has been achieved by the fighter pilots of the original "All Canadian" squadron of the R.A.F. formed in England, says "Reuter's" air correspondent.

It was revealed to-night that in the past fortnight they figured in six fights. Fifty-five enemy aircraft made up their total "bag."

The Canadians lost only two men.

### Give Nazis Biggest Beating

On September 18 the "All Canada" bomber force, the biggest beating of any which have tried to reach the capital in daylight. Together with Spitfires and Hurricane pilots they met the enemy—flying in two large formations at 7,000 feet, well out over the Thames Estuary.

Leading the attack, they dived on the first group of about 20 bombers which at the start were in close formation, split them up and shot down one Dornier 17's and five Junkers 88's.

The Squadron Leader said: "The sky seemed to be full of Spitfires and Hurricanes queuing up to attack the enemy aircraft. It was the finest I have ever seen in my life. We had position, height and numbers. The enemy were a dirty-looking collection."

On September 7 when the air battle over factories, docks, and railways in the Greater London area, the Canadians chased a large formation from East London to the coast and shot down four "Dornier 215" bombers, six "Messerschmitt 110" fighters-bombers and two single-seater fighters.

On the last occasion of a mass attack, made on September 15, both the "All Canadian" and the pilots of the best Royal Canadian Air Force squadron to reach England did their share in bringing down the record number of 185 enemy aircraft claimed by the R.A.F. They fought side by side in several recent battles.

## Italy Gibes At America

### Press Makes Up Racial Issue

ZURICH, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—In complete contrast to the attitude taken in July and August, the whole Italian Press is now indulging in violent attacks on the United States, according to the Rome correspondent of the "Basle National Zeitung."

Whereas formerly the United States was described as a young and powerful nation with which the Axis Powers only wanted to live in peace, she is now called an old nation and it is said that her population increases chiefly because of the coloured and half-breed sections.

## AMERICANS WHO WANT TO HELP

BOSTON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—The National Defence Committee of the American Legion to-day recommended that the United States should give "all practicable aid to Britain."

They further urged that a permanent military system be established in the United States and a programme adopted which in effect declares war on all subversive activities.

The Committee ask for rigid control of all aliens in the country.

## FINLAND GIVES WAY TO NAZIS Passage Allowed To Troops

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Reports reaching London from Finland, says "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent, confirm that during the next few days German troops going on leave from Norway will pass through Finland under the joint control of the German and Finnish authorities.

### Breach Protested At

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the British Minister at Helsinki has been instructed to protest strongly to the Finnish Government against their action in agreeing to allow German troops to pass through Finland on their way to Northern Norway.

It is stated that this action constitutes a clear breach of neutrality and international law.

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,305 n.
H.K. Banks A	87 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) A	72 n.
Chartered	6-9/10 n.
Mercantile, A & B	27 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C	11 n.
East Asia	72 n.

INSURANCES	
Canton	200 n.
Union	405 n.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	150 n.

SHIPPING	
Douglases	120 n.
Steamships	11 n.
Indo-China P.	100 n.
Indo-China D	80 n.
Shell (Steamers) S/-	35/7 1/2 n.
Waterboats S & D	0.00 n.

DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	92 n.
Docks (old)	10.00 n.
Docks (new)	10 1/2 n.
President's	4.50 n.
Shai Dockyards	37 n.

MINING	
Kallian S/-	15/- n.
Raub's	9 1/4 n.
H.K. Mines	1 1/4 cts n.

LANDS	
Hotels	3.00 n.
Lands	31.40 n.
Lands 4% Debentures	100 n.
Shai Lands Sh	12.00 b.
Humphreys	7.15 b.
H.K. Realities	3.00 n.
Chinese Estates	10 1/2 n.

UTILITIES	
Trams	10 n.
Peak Trams (old)	7.40 n.
Peak Trams (new)	3.70 n.
Star Ferries	59 b.
Y. Ferries	22 1/2 n.
China Lights (old)	7 b.
China Lights (new)	4 n.
H.K. Electric (old)	30 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (new)	33 1/2 n.
Macao Electric (old)	17 s.
Macao Electric (new)	10 s.
Sandakan Lights	11 n.
Telephones (old)	24 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	10.15 b.

INDUSTRIALS	
Cold: Macq. (Ord.) Sh	14.90 n.
Cold: Macq. (Pref.) Sh	12 n.
Canton Ice	1 n.
Cement	10 s.
H.K. Hopes	5 1/2 b.

STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms	a.d.
Woons	8.80 b.
Lane Crawford	7.45 n.
Sincere	2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	30 n.
Powell Ltd.	1 n.

COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	45 1/2 n.
Shai Cotton Sh.	100 n.

MISC.	
H.K. Govt. 4%	99 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1934)	95 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1940)	95 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 GS Bonds	35% n.
H.K. Entertainments	0.60 b.
Constructions (old)	1.00 n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	8 s.
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) S/-	0/9 n.
Marsmans Ins. (H.K.) S/-	3/4 s.

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—The French radio announces that the Grand Visir of the Sultan of Morocco has arrived in Vichy. The purpose of the visit is not stated.

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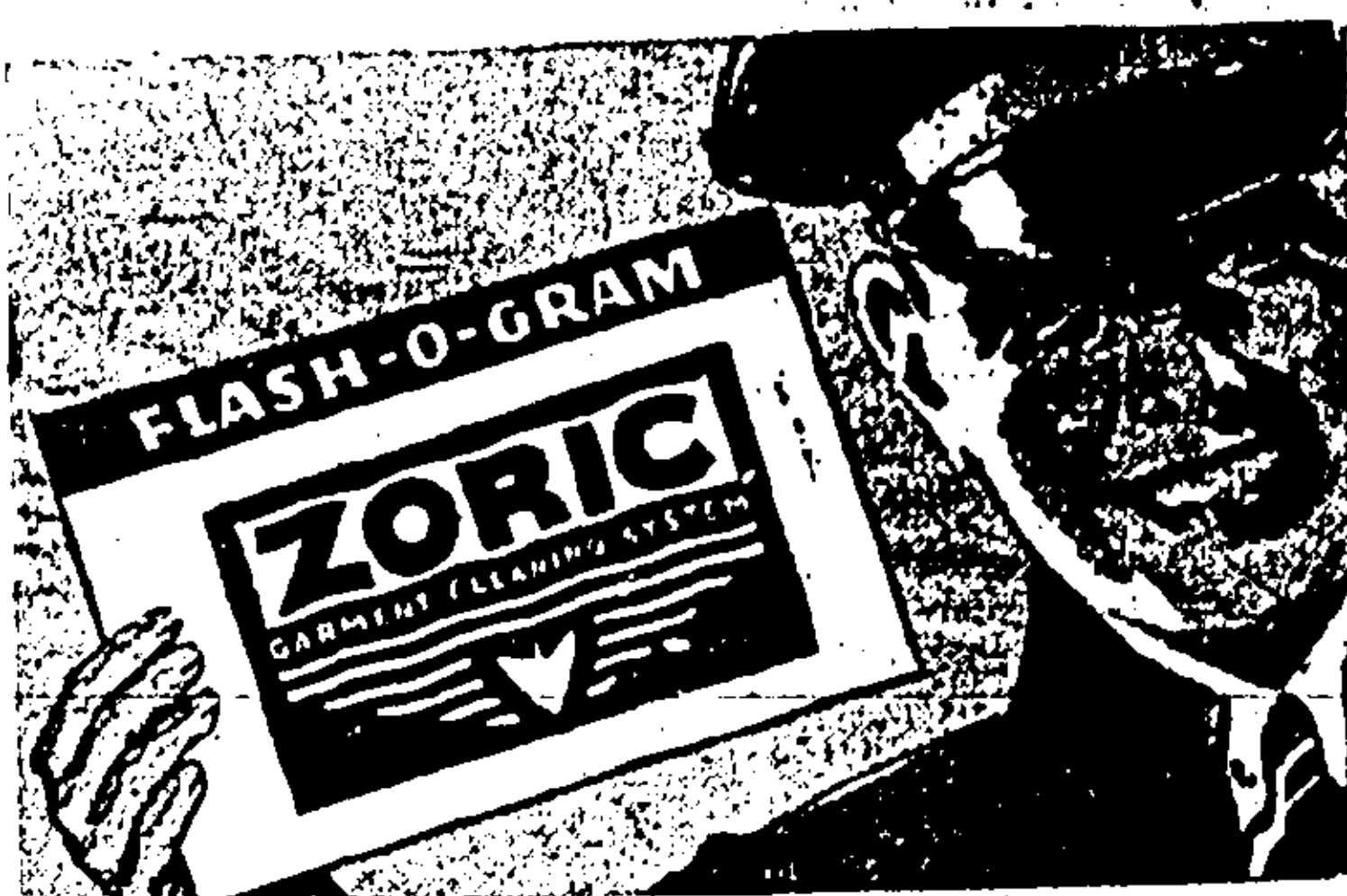
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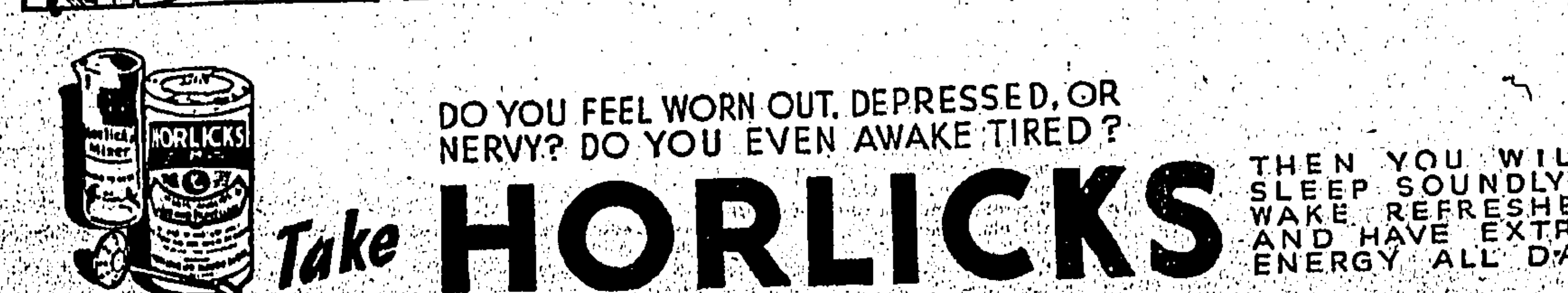
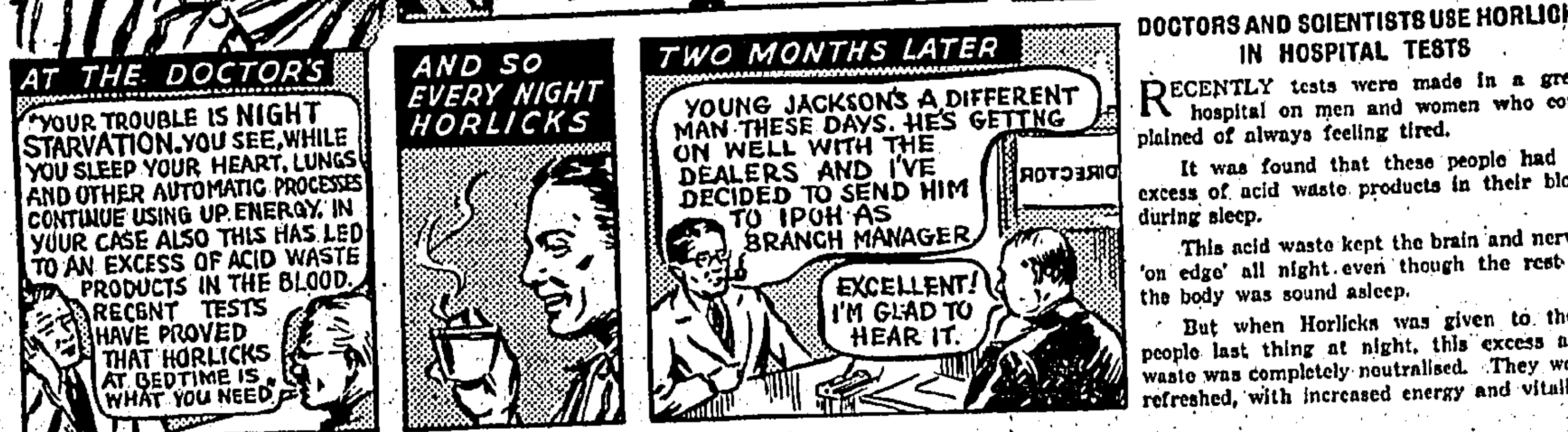
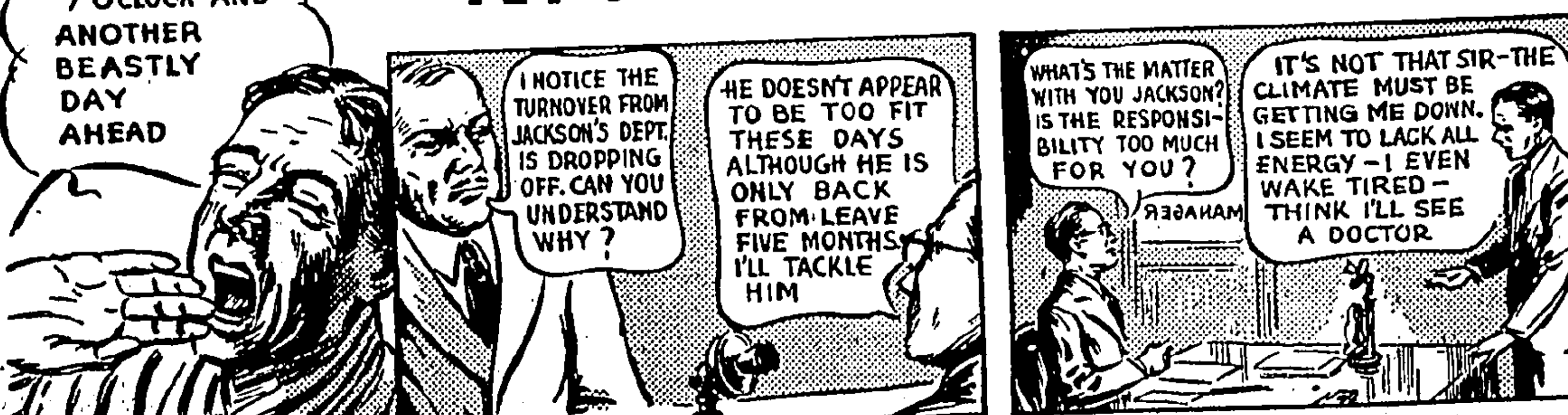
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## DOCTORS AND SCIENTISTS USE HORLICKS IN HOSPITAL TESTS

RECENTLY tests were made in a great hospital on men and women who complained of always feeling tired.

It was found that these people had an excess of acid waste products in their blood during sleep.

This acid waste kept the brain and nerves 'on edge' all night, even though the rest of the body was sound asleep.

But when Horlicks was given to these people last thing at night, this excess acid waste was completely neutralised. They woke refreshed, with increased energy and vitality.



# NG NIN BREAKS BREAST-STROKE RECORD

## Chan Chun-nam Wins 220 Yards Free-style By Touch

V. Churn, J. Anderson And Ko Mui-ling In Thrilling Fifty Yards Sprint

(By "Tinker")

A SECOND COLONY RECORD went by the board yesterday—the first day of the Colony Swimming Championships at the V.R.C.—when Ng Nin lowered Enrique Chaine's 1939 time for the 100 yards breast-stroke by 1.2/5 secs., recording a new time of 70 seconds.

This, however, was quite up to expectations, but in the 220 yards free-style event, wherein Ng Nin and Chan Chun-nam met for the first time, the thrilling neck-and-neck struggle between these two over the last length and a half had the spectators standing. The time was nothing brilliant, in fact, Chan Chun-nam, the winner, failed to improve on his time recorded in the heats, returning 2 mins. 32.1/5 secs.

In respect of time, it was a badly judged race. Ng Nin, Chan and Charles Huang, who was third in 2 mins. 35.4/5 secs., went off for 28 secs. for the 50 yards and 61.3/5 secs. for the 100 yards! And this killing start undoubtedly was the cause of the comparatively poor time returned.

But it was as great a race as ever will be seen in the V.R.C. again. Yau Sai-kwan was left in behind at the end of the first 100 yards, at which stage Ng Nin, Charles Huang and Chan (in that order) were separated by about a yard. The positions were maintained over the next 50 yards, and then Chan commenced his great final spurt that took him first up to and then past Huang, and then level with Ng Nin.

Pandemonium was let loose over the last 20 yards when Chan and Ng Nin were neck-to-neck. Neither could gain the touch or two that would have made the difference, until at the post Chan just managed to slap his hand home first.

Thus ended the first meeting between these two great swimmers. Charles Huang was a very good third.

### Breast-stroke Record

NG Nin's record in the breast-stroke was made through the use of the butterfly stroke. Luiz M. Remedios battled level with him for the 50 yards, but thereafter faded away and fought a great fight with Ho Poon-kun (3rd) and Fong Chong-yue (4th). Only a touch separated these last three men.

Fong, with the normal stroke, put up a superb challenge for the 50 yards and was only a yard behind at that turn. He was another yard or so further back.

Surged in the correct word to describe how Ng Nin went into the lead over the second two lengths, and his powerful strokes brought him in four seconds ahead of Remedios.

### Women's 50 Free-style

THOUGH the time-keepers clocked Miss V. Churn 4/5 second ahead of Miss Ko Mui-ling in the women's 50 yards free-style, to the eye the finish seemed only one of touches. Certainly only the smallest fractions of a second separated Miss Ko, Miss J. Anderson and Miss Ho Wai-king.

Incidentally, a typographical error in the programme makes Miss Ho into a married woman though she is only 15 years of age.

Miss Ko touched the wall first and was followed closely by Miss Ho, Miss Churn and Miss J. Anderson, but in the last lap Miss Churn slowly moved into the fore and came in first by a foot at the outside.

Miss Anderson lived up to the promise of her heats race, and swam a fine race for third place.

### Women's Back-stroke

THERE was only one girl in the back-stroke over 100 yards. Miss L. Sadick was several yards in the lead at the end of the first 50 yards, and eventually won by five or six in 85 seconds.

Miss Tsang Fung-kwan, Miss Lee Cheuk-wah and Miss L. Lopes figured in a fine struggle over the last two lengths, and Miss Lee, who was lying third, dropped out of the running when she failed badly at the last turn.

### Women's Relay

V.R.C. "A" were without opposition in the women's

### Finals and Finalists For Events To-day

The following are the final events and the competitors taking part this evening, commencing at 6.15 p.m.:

Men's 50 yds. free-style: Ng Nin, D. Hutchinson, D. H. Taylor, Ng Tsun-man and Fung Kwai-sing.  
Women's 100 yds. breast-stroke: Ho Wai-man, Au Mei-chuen, Li Po-luen, V. Churn and Ko Mui-ling.  
Men's 100 yds. free-style: J. Gomes, C. A. Yvanovich and John Tai.  
Men's 440 yds. free-style: Ng Nin, Chan Chun-nam, C. Huang, Mak Wai-ning and Yau Sai-kwan.  
Women's 150 yds. Medley Relay: Chung Sing, H.K. University, Lai Tsan, Chinese B.C. and V.R.C.  
Men's 150 yds. Medley Relay: Chung Sing, H.K. University, V.R.C. "A" and V.R.C. "B".

### TIGERS NOSE OUT WHITE SOX

NEW YORK, Sept. 25 (U.P.).—Detroit Tigers increased their leading percentage in the American League to-day when they nosed out the Chicago White Sox 10-9. Scores were:

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

Chicago, Lee, Brown, Tresh, 10; Detroit, Bridges, Benton, Trout, Newson, Tebbetts, 9.  
St. Louis, Kennedy, Swift, 7; Cleveland, Milner, Pytlak, 6.  
Chicago, Higgins, Turner, 7; Detroit, Newson, Sullivan, 6.

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati, Thompson, West, 12; St. Louis, Doyle, Shoun, Owen, 6.  
Pittsburgh, Sewell, Schultz, Davis, 7; Chicago, Lee, McElhenny, 5.  
Cincinnati, Walters, Baker, 12; St. Louis, Hutchinson, M. Cooper, W. Cooper, 11.  
Pittsburgh, Brown, Dietz, Davis, 11; Chicago, Olsen, Raffensberger, Todd, 11.

### Bowls Championship

## OPEN SINGLES MATCHES

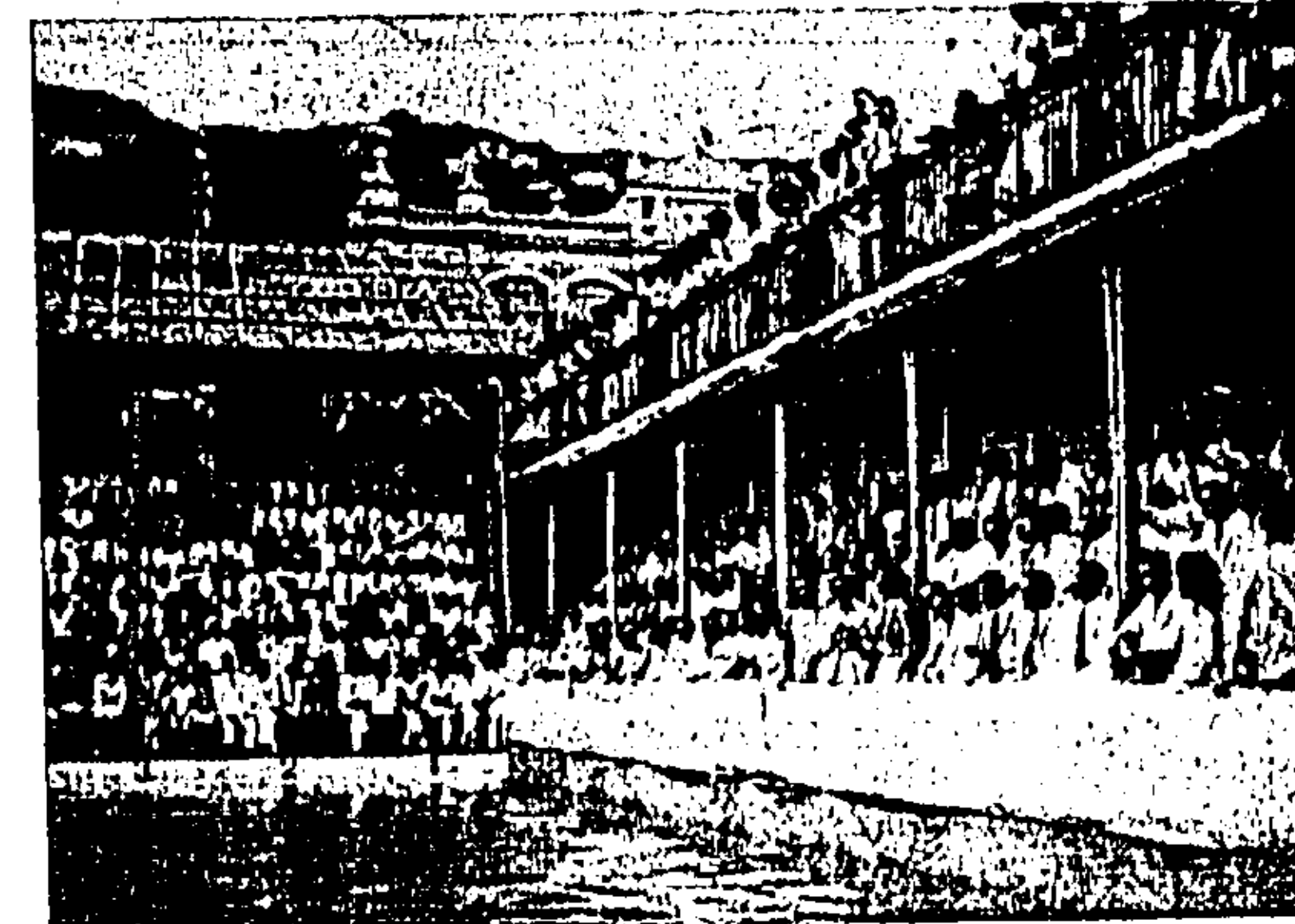
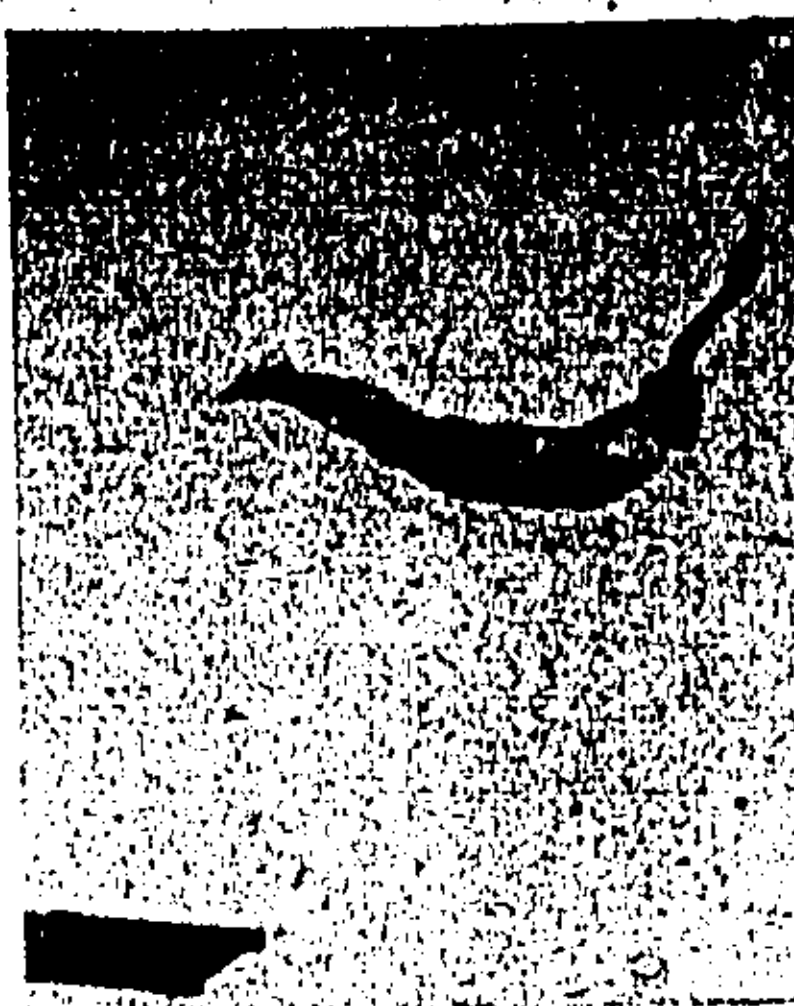
### SEVERAL MATCHES in the Lawn Bowls Singles championship were played yesterday.

Two outstanding victories of the day were those of W. Gill over M. Medina at the Civil Service C.C. and A. Hyde-Lay over A. W. Hickok at Craigmower. The first named won 21-3 and the second 21-4. At the Kowloon B.C. was a more even game. W. K. Way beat W. Simpson 21-16 on the 23rd end. Way scored two 4's. One on the 17th end to draw level at 13-all, and the other on the 23rd end to win. Complete scores were:

Civil Service C.C.  
W. Gill beat M. Medina 21-3 on the 14th end; B. Bass beat A. H. Rumjahn 22-10 on the 22nd end.  
Craigmower C.C.  
A. Hyde-Lay beat A. W. Hickok 21-4 on the 10th end.

Kowloon P.C.  
A. M. Holland beat C. E. Marques 21-10 on the 10th end.

Kowloon B.C.  
W. K. Way beat W. Simpson 21-16 on the 23rd end; C. O. Silva beat Y. H. Tang 21-12 on the 17th.



Football Meeting

## EASTERN FORFEIT POINTS TO SING TAO

Police And R.A.S.C. Fined

Royal Navy Beat South China 5-2

THE MANAGEMENT of the Hongkong Football Assn. had many matters to deal with at their meeting last night. Mr. W. E. Hollands was in the Chair, and the first case for consideration was that of the postponed Eastern-Sing Tao match.

Eastern, who failed to field a team, explained that owing to the sudden transfer of several players they were unable to raise an XI. Findings were against them and they were ordered to forfeit two points to their opponents and were fined \$20.

Eastern's 2nd XI were permitted to withdraw from the Second Division and their fixtures will be taken over by the Royal Navy, who are granted entry to that division.

### UNREGISTERED PLAYERS

THE playing of unregistered players resulted in fines for both the Police and the R.A.S.C. Police were fined \$10 for turning out with three unregistered men against the Royal Navy and R.A.C.C. while R.A.S.C. were fined \$5 for the same infringement in respect of one player against Shell.

A meeting of the Emergency Committee followed to consider the case of Tso Kwai-shing, who was sent off the field for dangerous play in the South China match against the Royal Navy.

The case was postponed when Tso did not appear, but Tso is not allowed to play soccer in the meanwhile.

### Double Tenth Match

A MATCH will be played between the Chinese and the Rest of the Colony on the Club ground at 4 p.m. on October 10, the proceeds to be for the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China.

## SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The picture below gives an idea of the crowd that is attending at the Victoria Recreation Club for the current Colony Swimming Championships. Stands and balconies are packed to the limit.

To the left is a picture of Lionel Roza-Perreira, Colony diving champion, giving an exhibition during yesterday's programme, in conjunction with Ed. da Roza—Staff Photographer.

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"The early woodcutter gets the first tree, you know. Besides—it's an ugly tree. There is something offensive about that tree. Come to think of it, it rather reminds me of you, Bertie."

"Well—I must confess I didn't expect to see you chopping trees this morning and smoking a

whacking big black cheroot. Not after last night."

"I don't like the way you say 'not after last night.' I detect a certain envy in the tone—a certain undercurrent of bitterness. You ought to be overjoyed to see me absolutely bristling with joy-de-vivre."

"I merely marvel at your powers of recovery."  
"You needn't, Bertie. It's all due to Rosé's Lime Juice, you know. Prevents mornings after the night before. Just the thing before you go to bed. And now, Bertie, with your permission I'll step out and deal our unsuspecting arboreal friend a couple of shrewd cracks with my little axe."



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### "Y" Hockey XI's

The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. in hockey matches this week (at King's Park):

To-day  
"A" v. Royal Signals 4.30 p.m.—V. M. Benwell, Killeen and Saxby; Fishlock, Pennington and Waldron; Smith, Gilchrist, Taylor, Dunne and Highlands.

Saturday  
1st XI v. Khalsa (4.30 p.m.)—V. M. Benwell, Jordan and Yourell; Coombe, Pennington and Waldron; Smith, Gilchrist, Taylor, Dunne and Highlands.  
2nd XI v. Navy XI (6 p.m.)—Fishlock, Heptonstall and Saxby; Spence, Tomlinson and Gorman; Macey, Dorrer, Smith, Ireson and Jeffrey.

## Undisputed Champion of The World

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Lou Salica, world boxing champion according to the New York State Athletic Commission, to-night outpointed the National Boxing Association champion, George Pace, over 15 rounds and became undisputed world champion.



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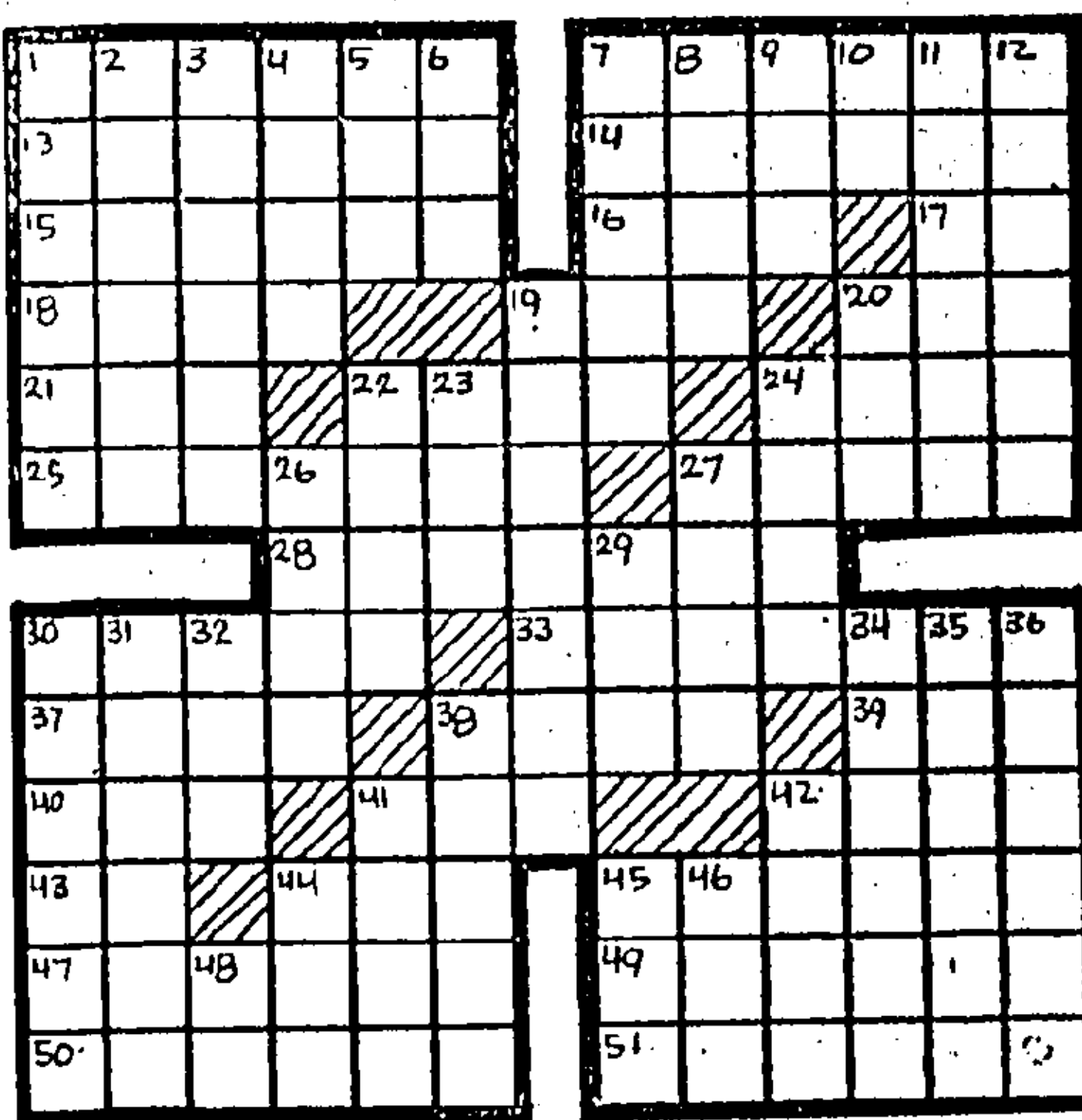
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## Crossword Puzzle

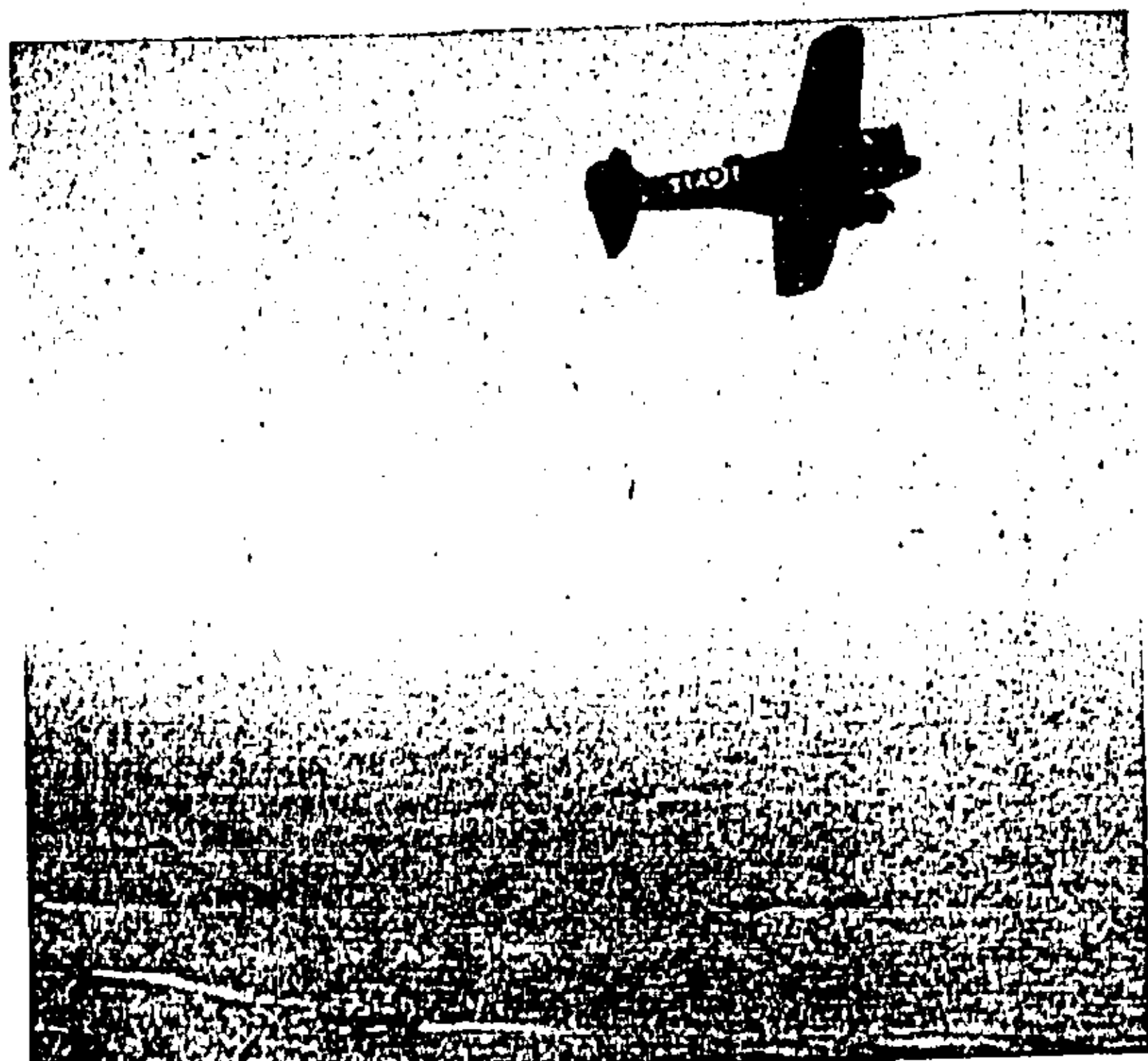
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ACROSS  
1-Deception  
2-Metal rope  
3-Verbal  
4-Leaves surface  
5-Comer of cloth  
6-Charitable gift  
7-Universal tongue  
8-Juillet's address of  
9-Mine  
10-Always (poetic)  
11-Considerate leader  
12-Fly  
13-New York canal  
14-Reason for going  
15-Musical group  
16-Art of poetry  
17-Drain basin  
18-Arms storehouse  
19-Master of Arts  
20-Touch  
21-Deputed  
22-Child  
23-Fruit drink  
24-Old name  
25-World  
26-Purple  
27-Collar dze base  
28-Disproves  
29-Heard  
30-Newspaperman  
31-Required

DOWN  
1-Fluffy red  
2-Rubber  
3-Wagon wheel  
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## Coastal Command On Escort Duty



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## Air Services Suspended

It is officially announced by Imperial Airways that owing to the situation in Indo-China air services between Indo-China and Hongkong are indefinitely suspended.

## New Zealand Army Appointment

WELLINGTON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Major-General Sir Andrew Russell, who participated in the Dardanelles campaign, has been appointed Inspector-General of the New Zealand military forces.

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7.0 Half an Hour of Dance Music.  
7.30 London Relay—The News.  
8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.03 Victor Silvester's Ballroom Orchestra.  
8.30 London Relay—Max and Harry Newbett—Comedians.  
8.45 Studio—Local Newletter.  
9.0 London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.  
9.45 A Grand Variety Programme.  
11.0 Close down.

## Food Assured For Britain

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—"If you can't have one thing, I will give you another," Lord Woolton, Minister of Food, told the nation in a broadcast to-night.  
He warned the people that they must not expect all things to change from in the second year of war that they had in the first year.  
Assuring the nation that there would be enough to eat, Lord Woolton said that we had stored for today and for the days to come.

## BRITISH MISSION TO S. AMERICA

**Brazilians Entertain**  
LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—The Brazilian Ambassador gave a luncheon at the Embassy to-day in honour of Lord Willingdon who is heading the British Economic Mission to South America.  
In addition to Lord and Lady Willingdon, others present included Mr. R. H. Brand, members of the Mission, representatives of the Foreign Office and other Government departments.

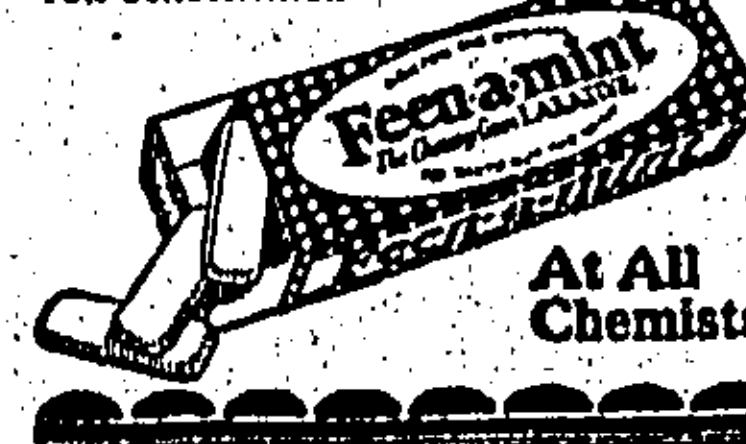
## Private Aircraft Factory Ordered In India

SIMLA, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Mr. Frederick Tymms, Director of Civil Aviation in India, who is in the United States, is engaged, it is learned, in endeavouring to secure material for the construction of an aircraft factory in India.  
It is understood that the proposed factory would be privately owned but that Mr. Tymms has promised a substantial order to the Indian Government.

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## Families To Leave Parts Of London

**Too Many People In A.R.P. Shelters**  
LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—The British Government has decided on a new scheme for taking mothers and children out of the worst hit areas of London, even in cases where their homes are not damaged.  
By keeping families together, it is expected that some of the prejudice against leaving will be removed.  
At present, nearly half the school children are still at home.  
The scheme is not entirely due to the dangers of bombing, which have been found to be far less than expected. The Government has in mind the danger of health when people have to spend most of the night in crowded shelters.  
The plan is in addition to the one already in operation of moving homeless people and their families out of London.

**CHURCHILL'S SON Returned To Parliament Unopposed**  
LONDON, Sept. 25 (UP).—The fourth attempt of Mr. Randolph Churchill, son of the Premier, to enter Parliament has been successful. He was to-day returned unopposed as Conservative member for Preston.

## Legislative Council Nomination

The nomination of Mr. T. E. Pearce for the vacancy on the Legislative Council, caused by the temporary absence from the Colony of Sir Henry Fullbrook, was submitted yesterday.

Mr. Pearce was nominated by the Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Stanley Dowling.

## Singapore Detentions Minister's Promise

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter). It is understood that the detention of Japanese subjects in Singapore was one of the matters raised in the conversation on general questions affecting the interests of Britain and Japan which the Japanese Ambassador had at the Foreign Office with the Under-Secretary of State Mr. R. A. Butler.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued yesterday says: "There were no changes in the market's short position with a small increase in the price of \$1.00. It is expected that the following items have been included in the Market's Gold Market issues."

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## LATE NEWS

## Status Of Neutrality Abandoned By Finland

**Passage To German Troops**  
LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Finland has committed a grave breach of neutrality. She now is following the example of Sweden in allowing the passage of German troops and supplies to Norway through her territory.

An official Helsinki announcement says the movements of German troops and transport of German supplies are taking place between northern Norway and northern Finland subject to certain conditions and control measures.

A Finnish Government spokesman compared them with the transport facilities granted by Sweden last July.

Shortly after the announcement, German troops were landing at Vasa (Vikolstadt), the Finnish port half way up the Gulf of Bothnia.

From Vasa, the railway runs up along the coast to Tornaa, on the Swedish-Finnish border, where it is linked to the line running to Narvik. Obviously, the Germans have been driven to this in an effort to escape the attention of the British Fleet, particularly British submarines.

Finland, in granting this facility, has committed a grave breach of neutrality.

## New Zealand Produces Aviators One Thousand Serving In Royal Air Force

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Six thousand New Zealanders will be chosen by ballot from the new Territorial Force.

They will be chosen out of 16,000 men who are liable to military service.

Other forces will be started in the same way for duty overseas. By the end of the year, New Zealand will have sent 1,400 pilots, observers and air gunners to England and Canada. Already there are 1,000 New Zealanders in the R.A.F. and 10,000 more have volunteered as pilots or technicians every year.

Mr. Peter Fraser, the New Zealand Premier, says that when the Empire Air Training Scheme reaches its peak, New Zealand will be supplying 900 fully-trained pilots and 800 technicians every year.

## South Australians

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter). The Sydney raid reports that another batch of South Australians has been called up under the Empire Training Scheme of training as pilots of the Royal Australian Air Force.

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## DAKAR ENTERPRISE IS ABANDONED IN ORDER TO AVOID BLOODSHED

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, SEPT. 25 (UP).—IT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THAT ALL ALLIED FORCES ARE BEING WITHDRAWN FROM DAKAR BECAUSE IT IS REALISED THAT ONLY A MAJOR BATTLE COULD SECURE VICTORY IN THAT REGION.

THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT OBSERVED THAT THE WITHDRAWAL WAS DECIDED UPON AFTER BRITISH WARSHIPS HAD SUNK TWO FRENCH SUBMARINES AND CARRIED OUT AN ARTILLERY DUEL WITH THE FRENCH BATTLESHIP RICHELIEU, AND THE SHORE BATTERIES.

Earlier in the day claims had been advanced that Dakar had been captured, but General de Gaulle corrected this impression by announcing that he and his followers had withdrawn overnight, and that to-day's action was carried out solely by British air and naval forces.

### Official Statement By British Govt.

Allied forces are now being withdrawn from the Dakar region in order to save the lives of Frenchmen, and the circumstances which led to their withdrawal are explained in a Ministry of Information announcement, says "Reuter."

#### Never Intended To Fight French

The announcement states that it had never been the intention of the British Government to enter into serious warlike operations against those Frenchmen who felt it their duty to obey the commands of the Vichy Government.

It further states: "General de Gaulle had good reason to believe, from the information which reached him, that a larger proportion of the French population in Senegal supported the Free French movement and would welcome his arrival and that a similar situation might be established there to that which exists in French Equatorial Africa."

## SAVAGE RAID ON GIBRALTAR

### French Fly Over in Waves

Special to the "Telegraph"

GIBRALTAR, Sept. 26 (UP).—One hundred French bombing planes, believed to come from Morocco, raided the Rock of Gibraltar in waves yesterday.

It is estimated they dropped 300 bombs hitting buildings, roads and old defences causing considerable damage to private property and Government offices but inflicting little damage on military works or personnel.

A small ship in the harbour was sunk. Some of the casualties were fatal.

#### Three Raiders Down

Anti-aircraft batteries hurled up fierce barrages and it is known that three raiders were brought down, possibly two more. A number of airmen serving in the Mediterranean fleet are believed to have been lost. Many of the bombs fell in the water or on barren parts of the Rock. Others fell in La Linea, while one narrowly missed the Customs House.

The population of the Rock took the assault calmly and after the raid cheered a military band which paraded for the ancient ceremony of handing over the keys of the fortress.

## Nazi Raider Off Trinidad

### Sinks British Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BARRANQUILLA, COLOMBIA, Sept. 25 (UP).—Survivors from an unnamed British steamer arrived here to-day and reported that a German raider shelled, machinegunned and torpedoed their ship off Trinidad on September 3.

They drifted in boats for a fortnight before a tanker picked them up and brought them to Covenas from whence they travelled overland to Barranquilla.

"He, therefore, proposed to His Majesty's Government that he should proceed there with some troops at his disposal with the goodwill and support of Great Britain."

"His Majesty's Government were all the more ready to afford General de Gaulle this support as information had reached them that German influence was spreading to Dakar."

#### Passed Through Gibraltar

"Meanwhile, whilst the expedition was on passage, the Vichy Government despatched three cruisers from Toulon, which passed through the Straits of Gibraltar and eventually arrived at Dakar."

"It is no part of His Majesty's Government to interfere with the movements of French men-of-war so long as they are not destined for any ports under German control. For this reason, no hindrance was put in the way of the vessels in question passing through the Straits of Gibraltar."

"When, having done so, they pursued a southerly course, they were permitted to proceed. They, therefore, reached Dakar without interference."

"When later they put to sea again steaming south, it was thought that they might be intending to interfere with the situation existing in French Equatorial Africa, which has already declared for General de Gaulle."

#### Ships Turned Back

"Ships of the Royal Navy intercepted their passage and insisted upon their return to port. They, therefore, eventually did, two of them TURN to Page 2, Column One



## Indo-China Fighting Continues Unabated

## JAPANESE HURL 30,000 MEN AGAINST LAONGSON

Special to the "Telegraph"

HANOI, Sept. 25 (UP).—It is officially reported that the French forces have withdrawn from Laongson while the Japanese are encircling the town with superior numbers.

Thirty thousand Japanese are participating in the movement and because of their numerical inferiority the French do not expect to be able to do more than delay the Japanese advance.

## 7-HOUR AIR RAID

### Calais Shattered

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 25 (UP).—The Royal Air Force swarmed over Calais to-day and bombarded the Channel port for seven hours.

It is officially stated that barges lying alongside the quays were hit and that fires and explosions were seen in many parts of the harbour. Searchlight batteries on the quays were machine-gunned and extinguished.

By 4 o'clock this morning more than 30 fires were counted within the dock area.

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Six of the 50 destroyers recently sold by the United States to Britain have been commissioned in the Royal Canadian Navy.

Official opinion stresses the fact that the border clashes are in the nature of "incidents," and the impression is gaining that the French are still hopeful of a peaceful solution to the problem.

The French deny that Chinese forces have crossed the frontier at any point.

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## U.S. Buying From China

### Big Tungsten Order

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 (UP).—Mr. Jesse Jones, Secretary for Commerce to-day announced that \$30,000,000 worth of tungsten will be purchased from the National Resources Commission of China for storage to meet national defence needs.

Mr. Jones also said China would be loaned an additional \$25,000,000 from the Export-Import Bank to assist her in meeting her present foreign exchange needs.

The loan will be made to the Chinese Government with a guarantee of the Central Bank of China. The loan should be liquidated through the sale of tungsten.

A thief entered the residence of Mr. E. Hoopes at 772 The Peak about 2 a.m. to-day and stole a wrist watch and keys to the value of \$50. Entry was gained through an open window.

## U.S. AND JAPAN: McNUTT SPEAKS PLAINLY

Special to the "Telegraph"

BOSTON, Sept. 25 (UP).—The United States must meet aggression in Asia as well as in Europe by active aid to the victims of aggression, declared Federal Security Administrator Paul V. McNutt to the American Legion Convention here to-day.

He directed a sharp attack against proposals that the United States should "appease Japan."

Further, he declared that a conciliatory attitude toward Japan would not increase the security of the United States.

"How could it be in our interest to co-operate with any country which shows itself determined to cast its lot with countries whose practices are obviously destructive to the stability of international relations?" he asked, referring to Japan.

Increasingly Difficult

"The United States has consistently sought to maintain friendly relations with Japan as with all countries TURN to Page 2, Column Seven

## LATEST

## Japanese Landing Completed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

The Japanese forces entering Indo-China from the sea this morning completed their peaceful landing near Halphong, according to a communique issued by the Japanese Expeditionary Force to South China, reports "Dance."

Indo-China Affair

Settled, Report

TOKYO, Sept. 26 (Reuter).—A local settlement between the French and Japanese military authorities with regard to the Indo-China border "incident" has been reached, according to semi-official Japanese sources.

It is declared that fighting in Indo-China has completely ceased.

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Further Late News

## FINLAND GIVES WAY TO NAZIS

### Passage Allowed To Troops

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Reports reaching London from Finland, says "Reuter," confirm that during the next few days German troops going on leave from Norway will pass through Finland under the joint control of the German and Finnish authorities.

#### Breach Protested At

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the British Minister at Helsinki has been instructed to protest strongly to the Finnish Government against their action in agreeing to allow German troops to pass through Finland on their way to Northern Norway.

It is stated that this action constitutes a clear breach of neutrality and international law.

## German Raiders Over Britain, But Repulsed

LONDON, Sept. 25 (UP).—German raiders to-night darted swiftly on the London area above the clouds but comparatively few bombs were dropped.

Most of the raiders seemed to approach the city from the northwest from whence there was an incessant barrage. While most of the populace were underground, observers were able to trace the paths of the raiders through watching the pattern of bursting shells against the blackness of the night.

Little damage has been so far reported, but residents of one section of Central London reported a few high explosives and incendiary bombs and terrific anti-aircraft fire.

#### Other Areas Raided

At the same time, reports showed, German bombers were also over the northwest and southeast of England as well as Wales and the Midlands. Bombs were dropped on eight towns in southeast England and also the

northwest coastal district which is having the 121st raid of the war.

A lone raider dumped high explosive bombs and incendiary bombs on an outlying district of a town in northwest England.

Several shops were damaged in a northwest London district when a bomb crashed in the main street but no casualties were reported. Bombs were also dropped in a district of north London and another in the southwest of the London area.

While visiting Mr. S. May, of 25 Stafford Road, Kowloon Tong, yesterday, Mr. R. P. Nelson, of 26 Cumberland Road, was bitten by Mr. May's dog. Mr. Nelson was treated at the Kowloon Hospital, while the dog was sent to Matalok kennels for observation.



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## DAKAR ENTERPRISE

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returning to Dakar and the third, which was suffering from engine trouble, being towed by one of His Majesty's ships towards Casablanca. On the morning of September 25, the French battleship Richelieu, flying the Tricolor and a white flag in order to show their French nationality and peaceful intentions, attempted to land at Dakar and were met with a hostile reception. They were fired upon and seriously wounded. Batteries of the port opened fire on one of General de Gaulle's warships and subsequently on His Majesty's ships, which were standing by in order to render General de Gaulle support and assistance if needed. Before returning the French fleet, the Admiral commanding made the following signal in plain language: "Will be compelled to return here unless fire ceases."

"As the fire from the shore batteries did not cease, the fire was returned and both His Majesty's ships and shore batteries incurred casualties. "Fire from the French battleship Richelieu was joined to that of the shore batteries and subsequently her fire had to be returned.

### Submarine Attack On Royal Navy

"The British naval commander warned the French authorities that submarines would be engaged if they left harbour. In spite of this warning, three submarines made attacks on our ships and active measures had to be taken against them with the result that two were sunk but the entire crew of one fortunately were saved and will be repatriated at the first opportunity.

"The forces of General de Gaulle attempted to make a landing which was not successful and when it became plain that a major operation would secure the fall of Dakar, it was decided to discontinue hostilities as it had never been the intention of His Majesty's Government to enter into serious warfare against those Frenchmen who felt it their duty to obey the commands of the Vichy Government. "General de Gaulle himself was most anxious that he should not be the cause of bloodshed to his fellow countrymen.

"The forces concerned are, therefore, now being withdrawn from the region of Dakar."

### Vichy Not Declaring War SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

Vichy, Sept. 25 (UP).—The Foreign Office has officially stated that the Vichy Government does not consider General de Gaulle's attack on Dakar with the assistance of the British navy, sufficient cause for Vichy to declare war on Britain.

## ARMED ROBBERS' WANCHAI HAUL

### Telephone Cut

Four robbers, armed with revolvers and a dagger, held up the inmates of 98 Queen's Road East, ground floor, Wanchai, yesterday afternoon, and after ransacking the premises, escaped with money and property to the value of \$455.

The premises were occupied by Tse Pui-cho, a Chinese doctor, and his family. About 4 p.m. his son, Tse Hon-leung, 29, also a Chinese doctor, was having a bath in the backyard when he was surprised by two men, who produced revolvers. These men ordered him into a cubicle, where they bound him with wire and gagged him with a towel. Two other men, also armed, were in other rooms of the flat. While one robber stood guard, the remainder searched the premises and opened a safe with keys taken from Tse's jacket pocket. They took \$302 from the safe and a jade tangle, a wrist watch and a pencil from members of the family.

Before leaving, the robbers cut the telephone wires and also uttered a warning that they would shoot anyone raising the alarm.

### Masked Men Operate In Shamshuipo

Another robbery occurred in Dor Fung Shan village, near Shamshuipo, about midnight last night. Four masked men, armed with revolvers and a dagger, entered a hut occupied by Lee Mo-ching, 28, married woman, and her family, bound the occupants with ropes, ransacked the premises and escaped with money and property valued at \$34.50.

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Tongkin Gulf, whereupon the French-Japanese agreement.

Officials stated that should the Japanese attack Indo-China by trying to put more troops ashore at points not specified in the accord, the French would resist the same as at Dongdang where 300 French and native troops re-occupied all the French coastal positions after forcing the Japanese to withdraw.

### Clash In Kuangsi

(CHUNGKING, Sept. 26 (Reuter).—An unconfirmed report states that Chinese troops in south-west Kuangsi have already been engaged with the Japanese attacking Indo-China. The value of the Burma Road to China in the event of the Japanese occupying northern Indo-China is causing some concern at Chungking. It is stated that Japanese aircraft will be able to patrol the road from dawn to dusk and traffic thus will only be possible at night and will be greatly reduced even if British agrees to re-open the road after October 17.

### "Peaceful" Landing

TOKYO, Sept. 26 (Reuter).—Japanese military forces were scheduled to land at Haiphong on September 25 under the terms of the Franco-Japanese accord, states a communique issued by the headquarters of the Japanese Expeditionary forces in South China.

"We expect that landing at Haiphong to be effected peacefully and amicably under the terms of the agreement," continues the communique.

### Will Resist Says Indo-China

A "Reuter" message from Hanoi which was despatched yesterday but delayed in transit, says that the authorities at Haiphong announce that if the Japanese try to land troops at Haiphong while the "Incident" on the northern border remains unsettled, the landing will be resisted. "According to a communique issued yesterday by the Japanese military authorities, the Japanese actually landed some troops at Haiphong yesterday."

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A total of \$1,240,223.84 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the South China Morning Post Ltd. The latest donations are:

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## "All Canadians" Win Laurels Wonderful Record In Defence Of London

### —Fight Over Thames

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—A wonderful record in the defence of London has been achieved by the fighter pilots of the original "All Canadian" squadron of the R.A.F. formed in England, says "Reuter's" air correspondent.

It was revealed to-night that in the past fortnight they figured in six fights. Fifty-five enemy aircraft made up their total "bag."

The Canadians lost only two men. Give Nazis Biggest Beating. On September 19 the "All Canadian" helped to effect the biggest beating of any which has been tried to reach the capital in daylight. Together with Spitfire and Hurricane pilots, they met the enemy—flying in two large formations at 7,000 feet—well out over the Thames Estuary.

Landing the group of about 20 bombers which at the start were in close formation, split them up and shot down nine Dornier 17's and five Junkers 88's.

The Squadron Leader said: "The sky seemed to be full of Spitfires and Hurricanes queuing up to attack the enemy aircraft. It was the finest shambles I have ever been in. We had position, height and numbers. The enemy were a dirty-looking collection."

On September 7 when the air battle over factories, docks, and railways in the Greater London area began with a mass attack by daylight, the Canadians chased a large formation from East London to the coast and shot down four "Dornier 215" bombers, six "Messerschmitt 110" fighters and two single-seater fighters.

On the last occasion of a mass attack, made on September 15, both the "All Canadians" and the pilots of the first Royal Canadian Air Force squadron to reach England did their share in bringing down the record number of 135 enemy aircraft claimed by the R.A.F. They fought side by side in several recent battles.

## Suner With Hitler

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Senior Suner, Spanish Minister for the Interior, had an hour's talk with Hitler to-day.

Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, was present at the conversation, reports the German news agency.

## Food Assured For Britain

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—"If you can't have one thing, I will give you another," Lord Woolton, Minister of Food, told the nation in a broadcast to-night.

He warned the people that they must not expect all things to change from in the second year of war that they had in the first year.

Assuring the nation that there would be enough to eat, Lord Woolton said that we had stored for today and for the days to come.

## CHURCHILL'S SON Returned To Parliament Unopposed

LONDON, Sept. 25 (UP).—The fourth attempt of Mr. Randolph Churchill, son of the Premier, to enter Parliament has been successful. He was to-day returned unopposed as Conservative member for Preston.

## Nazis Lose 23 Planes In Latest Air Raids

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Twenty-three enemy aircraft, of which 13 are bombers, were shot down to-day, and four British fighters are lost, of which three pilots are safe, announces the Air Ministry and the Ministry of Home Security.

Enemy aircraft crossed the Dorset coast to-day and attacked Bristol.

Bombs were dropped near the coast and in the outskirts of Bristol, causing some damage and killing and injuring a number of people. There has also been some minor enemy activity in south-east England but reports indicate little damage and few casualties.

The enemy was engaged by British fighters at all points.

### R.A.F. Counter-Attacks

Throughout last night our bombers continued their systematic attacks on enemy invasion ports, including Delfzijl, Ostend, Calais, Cherbourg and Le Havre.

Many fires and explosions resulted. In addition to attacks on Berlin, other forces of our aircraft attacked an electric power station at Finkenheerd, near Frankfurt-on-Oder, railway communications near Magdeburg, goods yards at Hamm and Brussels, gun emplacements at Cap Gris Nez and several aerodromes.

## Kent Cruiser In Action

### Former H.K. Warship

The French claim to have scored a direct hit on a British cruiser—formerly of the China Station, during the attack on Dakar. An announcement from Vichy says that French planes dropped nearly 100 tons of bombs on British naval units which were bombarding the town.

The Resolution, 29,000-ton battleship, is said to have been hit and an unnamed cruiser of the Kent Class is a second victim claimed by Vichy.

The Kent Class comprises five 10,000-ton cruisers which were in Hongkong off and on for three years up to quite recently. The ships are Berwick, Cornwall, Cumberland, Kent and Suffolk.

## Music Exams Results

### Hongkong Successes

The following are the results of the local Trinity College of Music, London Theory Examination held in June 1940, at the University of Hongkong, as supplied by the Local Secretary of the Trinity College of Music, London.

Miss Rosabel Hsu having now passed the full Diploma Examination has obtained the degree of Licentiate of the College (L.T.C.L.) (other awards are as follows):

### Examination of Teacher's Diploma

Chao Eugene (Art of Teaching and Rudiments), Pitter Marie Teresa (Rudiments only).

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### Intermediate Division

Honours: Ip Laura, Tse Lai Ching.

### Junior Division

Honours: Osmond Irene, Heis Mistic Alice, Souza Irene.

### Preparatory Division

Honours: Baptista Antonio.

## Dutch Airmen In Action

### Attack U-Boats

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Dutch airmen and the planes they flew to England from Holland have attacked several U-boats in the Atlantic recently, it was revealed to-day.

They have, of course, a long record of air combats. Dutch pilots are popular in R.A.F. messes, where they are regarded as staunch allies and good friends. Many of them have families in their home country. All are determined to perform any task which will advance the day when the invader is driven out.

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—The French radio R.A.F. showed 195 four Grand Vicer of the Sultan of Morocco has arrived in Vichy. The purpose of the visit is not stated.

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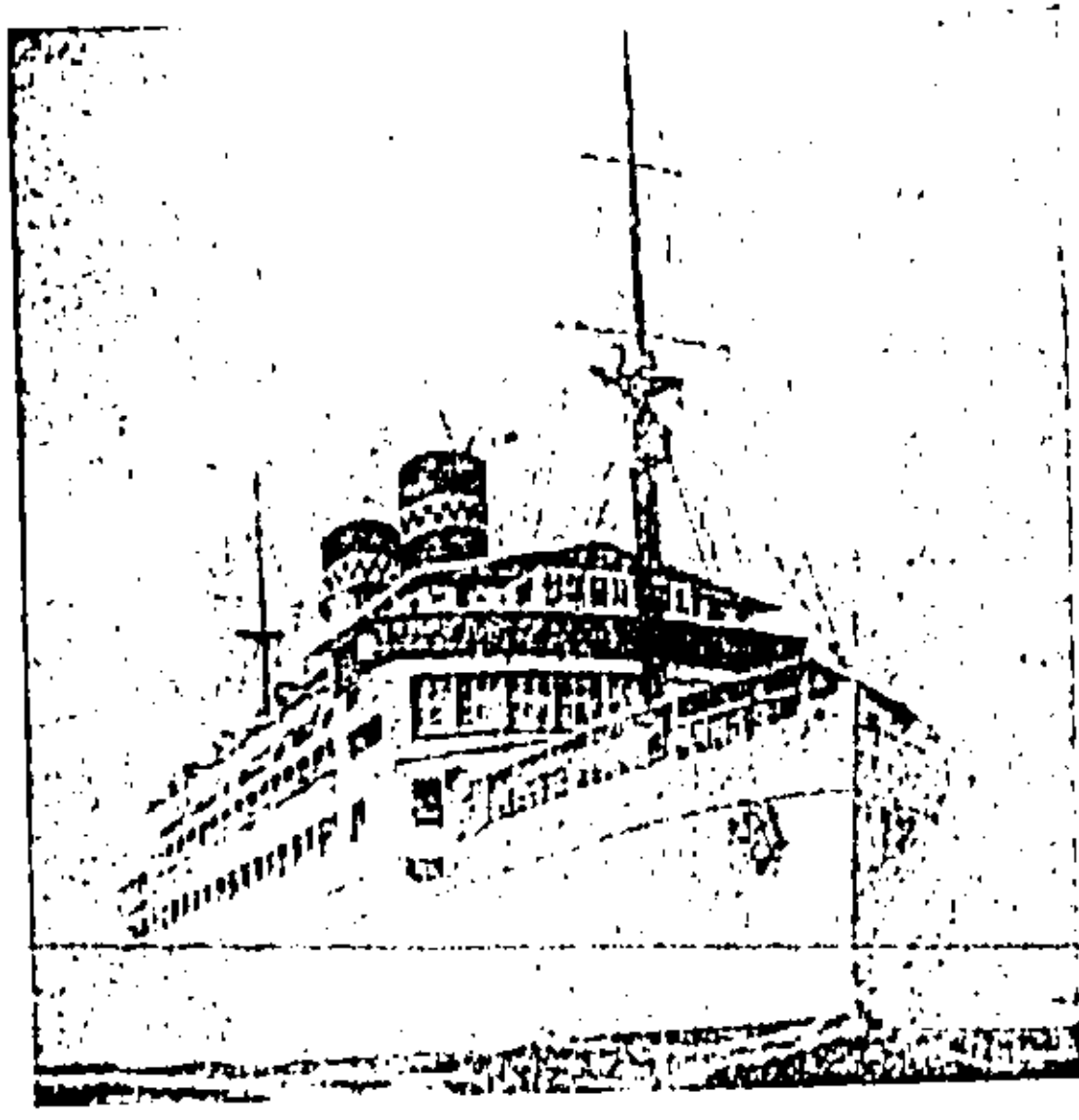
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## TURKEY WATCHFUL

### Ready For Trouble In Middle East

ISTANBUL, Sept. 25 (UP).—The Turks to-day began tightening up their vigilance in the eastern Mediterranean as a result of the events at Dakar and the French bombing of Dakar, which, it is felt, may have eventual possible repercussions in Syria.

The Turkish Foreign Minister yesterday conferred with the Greek Ambassador to Turkey which is regarded as being symptomatic of watchfulness.

### Sharp Irritant

Although the French Foreign Minister has declared that the attack on Dakar is not a casus belli, the reprisals reported to have been taken against Gibraltar seem here as a sharp irritant to the already troubled relations between Vichy and London in which the future of Syria is most likely to be involved.

It has been reliably stated that the Turkish Foreign Minister has undoubtedly informed the Greek Ambassador of the Turkish desire to see the status quo in the eastern Mediterranean maintained. At the same time it is believed he asked the Ambassador for clarification of the Greek attitude towards the latest events.

### Turkey Ready To Act

Judging from the most often expressed opinion among semi-official Turkish circles Turkey can be expected to make some military move at the moment she feels any act in the Near East is likely to degenerate into the slightest menace to her interests or national integrity.

## U.S. AND JAPAN

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tries in the Far East, Latin America and Europe on the basis of sound principles and fair policies. It is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain such relationships with Japan on such a basis.

Mr. McNutt said the United States must make a fateful decision whether to retire completely as a power in the Far East or to continue shouldering the burden such a policy implies.

Without referring directly to the re-examination of the Philippines independence which he urged two years ago, Mr. McNutt indicated that a wise course for the United States to maintain its status as a Far Eastern power. He also rejected a proposal that the United States should withdraw into an isolated defense area east of Hawaii.

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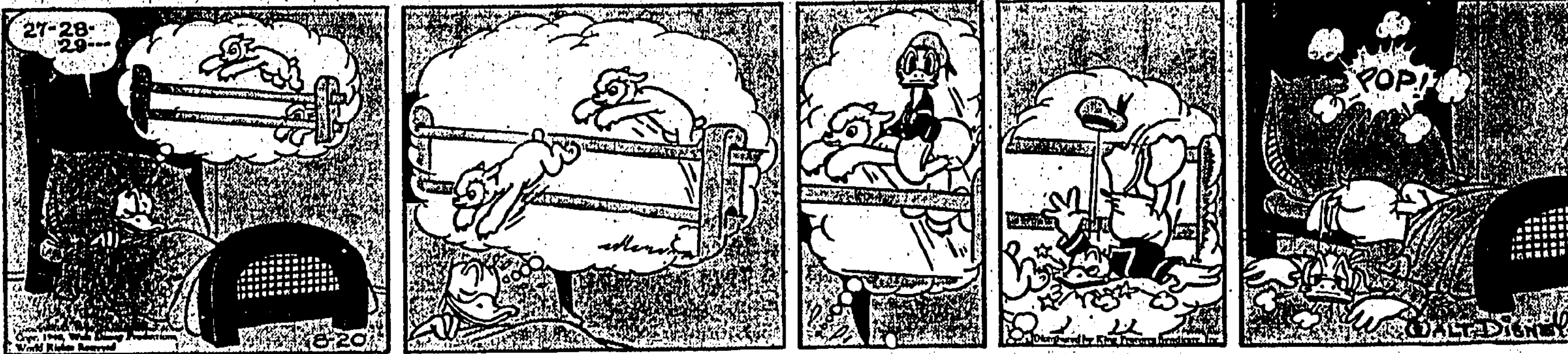
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## DOUBTS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

By HILAIRE BELLOC

WE are all clear by this time on the central point of any military business, which central point is a knowledge of the enemy's mind. In proportion as we are right on that we are on the way to victory; in proportion to our error upon the enemy's mind we are on the way to suffering surprise and consequent defeat.

Now the most important document we have at the moment for discovering the enemy's mind is the declaration issued by him to the effect that he had abandoned the project of invasion and had fallen back upon a policy of attrition.

He now proposes (or says he proposes) the wearing down of this country by his efforts at blockade and his attacks on our shipping.

This declaration may have one of two contradictory objects, and proceed from one of two opposite motives. It may have for its object a ruse to deceive his opponents and put them off their guard, or it may have for its object the real information which it purports to give.

Its motive may be to deceive; or it may be inspired by that strange policy of full statement to which the enemy has resorted before, and the value and meaning of which will be discussed in a moment. Our first business, then, is to

decide which of these two mutually exclusive characters attaches to this momentous declaration.

## For and Against

We cannot be certain of making a right decision upon this. Even if we arrive at a right decision on what the enemy intends by his declaration and on what effect he desires to achieve by it, the enemy himself might change his intention in the future. But what we can do is to weigh the arguments for and against either hypothesis.

The arguments in favour of this public avowal of abandoning the project of invasion being a ruse are simple and should be clear to all. Since the beginning of recorded warfare the deception of an opponent with the object of furthering one's chances of surprise has been a main part of military policy.

The first conclusion to which anyone will come on hearing that his enemy has proclaimed such and such an intention is to decide that he does in fact entertain another intention. In other words, the first and most obvious conclusion on this important declaration is to regard it as a blind.

But there are arguments on the other side to be considered. The strongest of these

is the fact that the enemy's General Staff has, from the time of its founding under Frederick the Great allowed this element of open revelation to play some part in its scheme side by side with outrageous lying.

Why does the enemy adopt this occasional policy of revealing his general plans? His main reason would seem to be the confidence which the carrying out of the plan produces.

It breeds confidence in his own forces, and it makes those opposed to him say to themselves, "When the enemy told us, on such and such an occasion, what he was going to do and the general lines which he proposed to follow, all went according to plan and he succeeded. Therefore, now that he is threatening this or that, he will probably succeed again."

Another motive for this singular method—in the use of which the enemy is unique—is the establishment of a bond between his armed forces and those who command them. Napoleon appreciated that bond—the value of taking his troops into his confidence—and more than once, notably during his early career in Italy, it was his mainstay.

## Method of Attrition

Further a decision to abandon direct attack and rely

upon attrition would, as things now are, be reasonable; the period most favourable for attack is past and the maintenance of enemy communications over sea becomes daily more hazardous. Lastly there is the enormous growth of expenditure and the menace of such a liability to a commercial state.

It may be, then, that the probability lies in favour of this declaration being straightforward, that the enemy has determined to switch over from the aim of invasion to the aim of attrition.

If this conclusion on our part prove sound it follows that his next field of action will be the Mediterranean. The enemy calculates minutely, his prolonged and detailed preparation is his principal quality, but it involves corresponding defects, the chief of which is great expenditure of time.

The delay which has been caused by his experiments and rehearsals (including, presumably, training in disembarkation, such training being carried out at a distance where it cannot easily be watched) has given this country time to organise its defence and continually to increase its striking power by air. And, of course, we must not in any way slacken the vigilance of our watch or weaken our preparations for defence because the enemy wishes us to think he will not attack.

The Mediterranean has meant many different things strategically in the course of the 150 years since the "Glorious First of June," and

especially since the subsequent Battle of the Nile.

But its chief strategic meaning since the introduction of rapid and certain marine communication and the piercing of the Isthmus of Suez has been its function as the High-way to the East and in particular to India, whereupon the whole British position, commercial and political, depends.

Anyone can see that the whole structure of British power has for its keystone (granted secure possession of the Bab-el-Mandeb at the issue of the Red Sea) the Suez Canal and its approaches, Egyptian and Syrian. Loosen that keystone and the arch is shaken.

## Lisbon's Influence

Until quite recent times the Mediterranean was strategically one sea. And we still talk and think in terms of its being one sea. But strategically it becomes two seas so long as the central position of Italy and the Italian islands, including Pantellaria (now fortified) remains unbroken and formidable.

This separation of the Eastern from the Western Mediterranean has become more and more evident with every new weapon, with every increase of speed, and particularly with every development of modern air power.

In the old days it used to be said with justice that he who had the use of Lisbon commanded the Mediterranean. It was the knowledge of this, which gave all its meaning to our Portuguese alliance. For the mouth of the Tagus, with its miles of sheltered inland water, commands the Straits. But to-day a fleet in the Tagus, though it ensures a hold on the Western Mediterranean, does not as fully affect the now separate Eastern Mediterranean, until the central interruption formed by the Italian possessions ceases to be a menace.

## my son, my son!

Nellie and I continued to live together in an emotional climate of mutual toleration—one of those relationships where deepening differences are rigidly kept below the surface for the sake of the children, for the sake of appearances before others, for the sake of an outwardly orderly existence.

Things were easier when Oliver a couple of years later, went off to public school, and later to Balliol.

Nellie withdrew deeper and deeper into her religion, while I abandoned myself to my work, producing book after book with one unflagging purpose; to increase my artistic standing and my fortune by making each book better than the last.

I decided to do a novel about the Yorkshire coal mining people, and in accordance with my custom I went into the district to live among the people about whom I intended writing, to observe their lives and their customs at first hand, to absorb their language and their ways of thought.

Informing no one of my exact intentions, I secured a job as an ordinary labourer in the mines owned by Pagson, whose son was a classmate of Oliver's.

Oliver had just turned nineteen at the time; a handsome lad of tremendous charm, whose winsomeness and ready wit carried him through many a scrape into which his polished impudence got him both in and out of school.

At the end of my second day's work in the mine, as I was emerging from the shaft in a lift with a group of other miners, my manager beckoned me aside. In my rough clothes, countryman's cap and smudged face, I must have looked a convincing miner, for it seemed that a young lady

artist, who had been commissioned to make sketches of the mine and its surroundings, desired to draw me as a typical mine worker!

"Would you like to make a shilling?" the young lady asked me brightly.

Carefully keeping in my Yorkshireman's character, I surveyed her deliberately. The head above her shapeless smock was crowned with a mass of light yellow hair, in which the waving sun, peering in through the windows of the rude mine office, made a strange lustre.

The features were delicately chiseled, the nostrils sensitive, the lips somewhat tight but quick to curl up at the corners, the chin delicately pointed and apt to tilt high. I looked, but permitted my face to betray nothing.

"A bob?" I answered her in my best Yorkshire drawl. "I might."

"Well, just stand over there by the wall and let me make a sketch of you."

"All of me?"

"Yes."

"That would be worth two bob," she acquiesced with a laugh, and began her drawing. I stood submissively by the wall while she sketched with rapid, businesslike strokes.

"What do you do in the mine?" inquired the artist without looking up.

"Dig."

"Oh," she paused. "Do you like your work?"

"Do you mean to keep on asking questions?" I demanded. "I'll cost you another bob if you do."

"I'm not that interested," she retorted. "Turn your profile, please." I continued to gaze at her. "Side view, please!"

I presented my profile, and she resumed her sketching. "Do you

do that for a living?" I asked her, "or just to amuse yourself?"

"If I answer, it'll cost you a bob," she said; then added, her mouth twitching, "I do it for a living."

A few minutes more, and she had finished. She showed me the drawing, which I praised lavishly; then she paid me my two shillings. I deliberately bit at the coin, then rang it on a piece of metal, then pocketed it and walked away without a word.

When I had washed up, changed into more livable clothes, and had my supper at the inn, I went for a stroll through the outskirts of the town, meditatively flipping my two-shilling coin.

It eluded my palm and rolled around a bend in the road. When I caught up with it a slender young lady with a travelling bag was picking it up from the road. "It was my artist friend."

She recognised me, despite my somewhat altered appearance, and heatedly accused me of having defrauded her by posing as a typical miner.

I protested that I was a miner—an anxious deliver in my own mine that yielded an occasional gem—and sometimes just plain muck.

"That gives me a clue," she exclaimed. "You must be a writer!" I bowed a humble acknowledgment.

"It's all very interesting, I'm sure," said the lady, "but I haven't time to stand here talking. I've a train to catch."

I lapsed quickly into my workmanlike manner and speech. "Carry your bag for a shilling, mum?"

Never in my life had I talked so animatedly to anyone as we walked to the station, discussing the work we did.



She, too, seemed to enjoy it enormously.

"I never knew talking to a woman could be like this," I suddenly exclaimed.

"What do you mean?"

"Well, I—I never knew a woman who did anything—who had a career, as you call it. I didn't know a woman could be beautiful and young and intelligent—all at the same time."

She faltered in her step for a moment and stared at me. In that instant, I think, we both realised how tremendously important was this meeting—for both of us.

We walked on, and fell to discussing the current work of authors. She had, it seemed, been reading "Every Street," the new work of one William Essex.

I expressed interest, while betraying nothing. While she approved Essex's writing, she poked fun at his portrayal of feminine characters. This fellow Essex, she believed, knew nothing at all about women.

"But the critics like his love scenes," I protested.

"The critics are men," she laughed. "Now don't stand there and tell me you'd make love like William Essex!"

Unconsciously, we both stopped. I looked at her, and said slowly, "I might have once—I wouldn't now. Not after to-night. I'd say—I'd say—"

Before I knew it my arms were about her, straining her to me. Without hesitation her arms went about my neck. I kissed her fervently.

"Oh, my darling!"

It lasted only a moment. Then I withdrew from her embrace and gripped her almost fiercely by her shoulders. The words tumbled from my lips.

"I had no right to do that. I'm not a free man. But I shall love you forever and ever. I knew it from the first moment I heard your voice—from the first moment I saw your face. No, don't speak. Don't tell me anything about yourself. It isn't safe for me to know. I must never see you again."

Her lips trembled, and her eyes filled with tears.

"Please, please—don't leave!" I whispered. "I don't think I can bear that!"

"I shall be in tears when I'm alone."

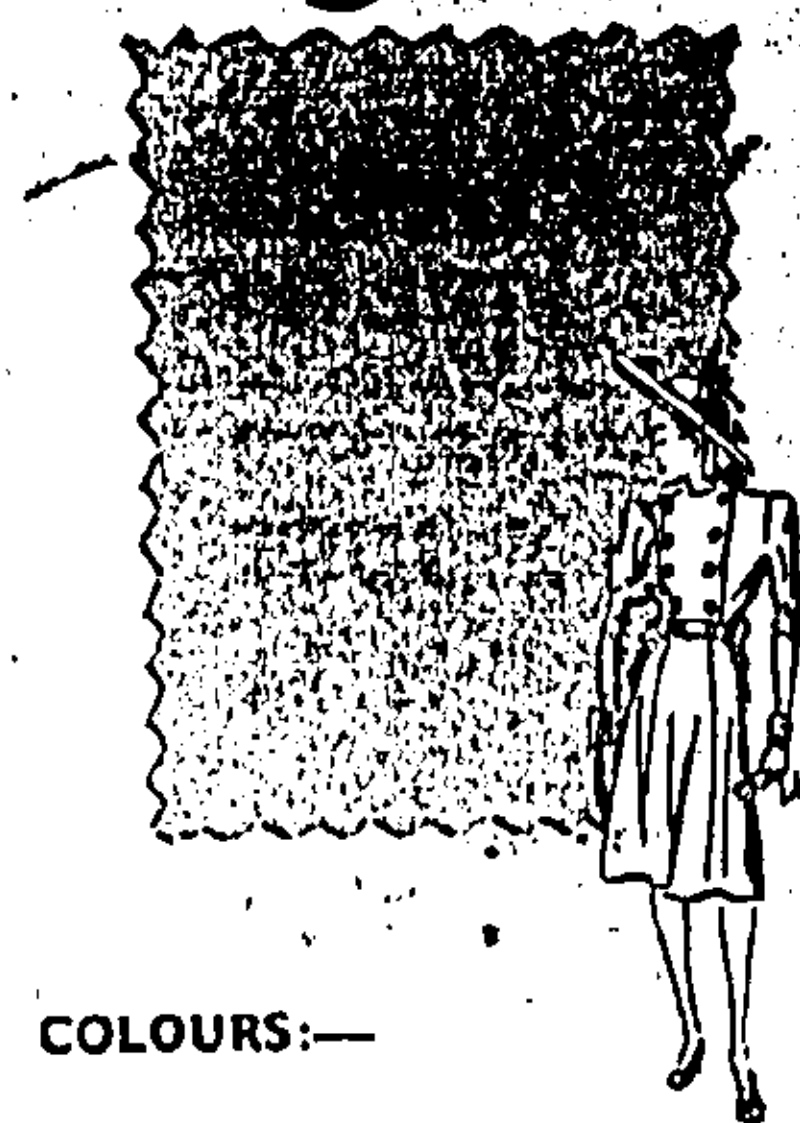
I gazed at her for another moment, then turned abruptly and walked away.

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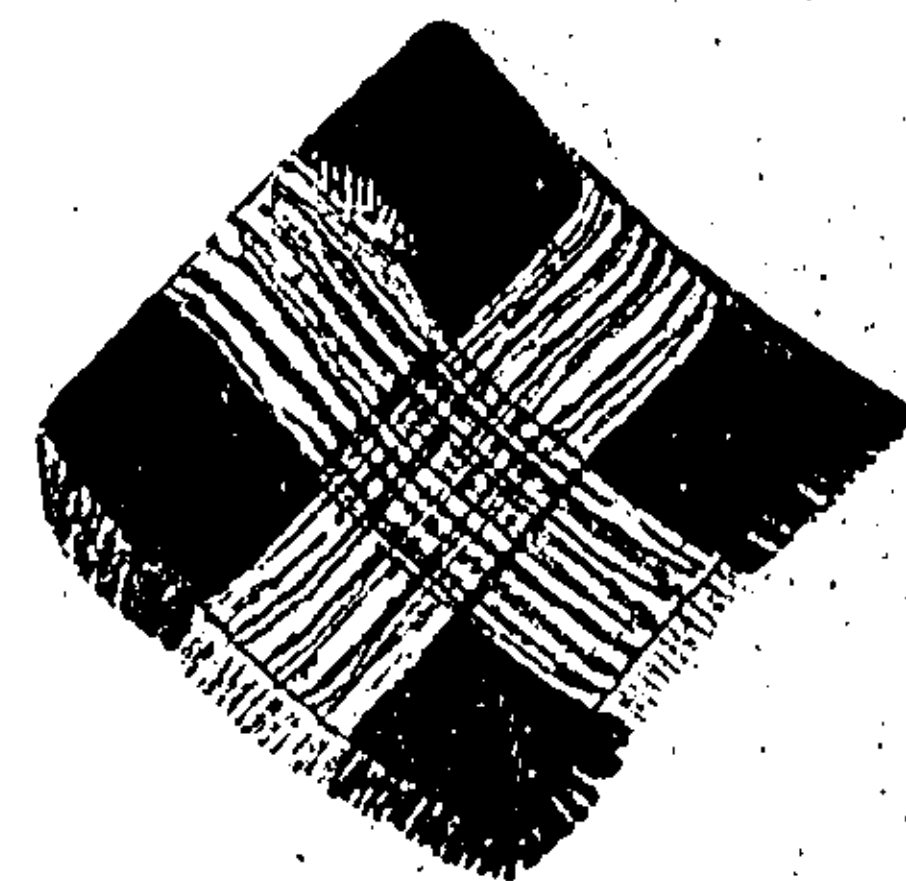


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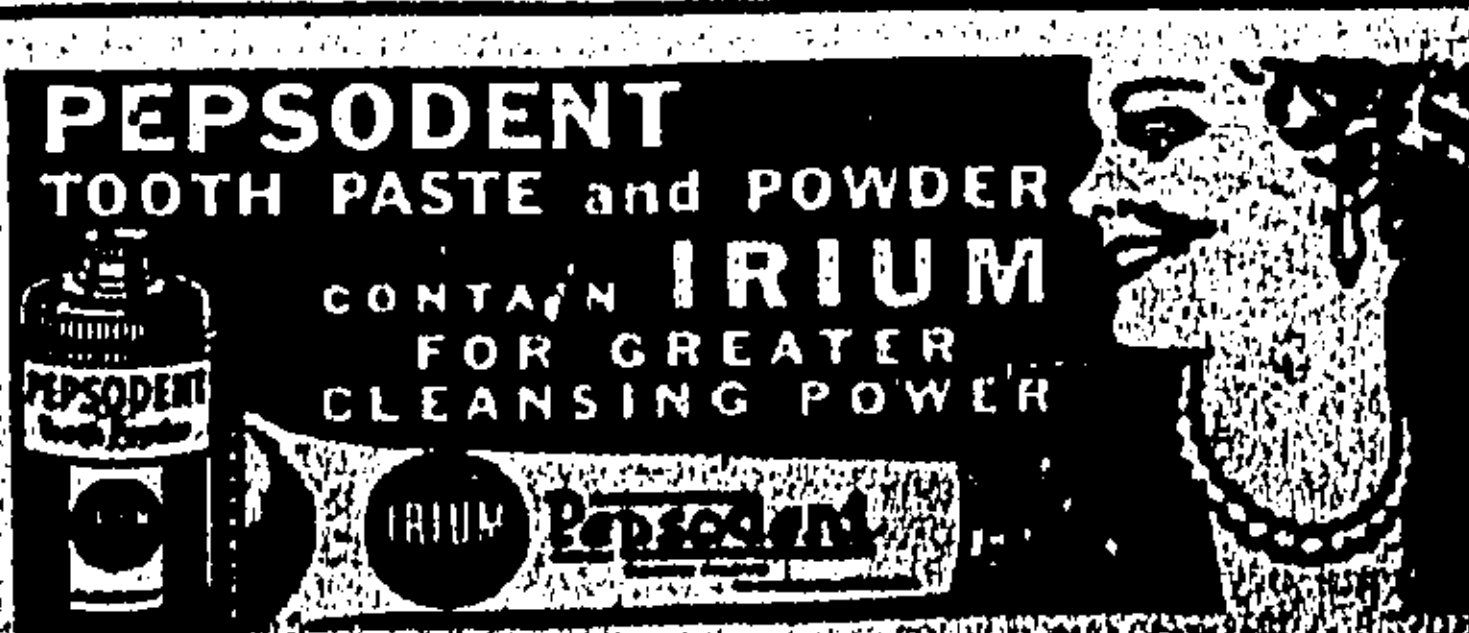
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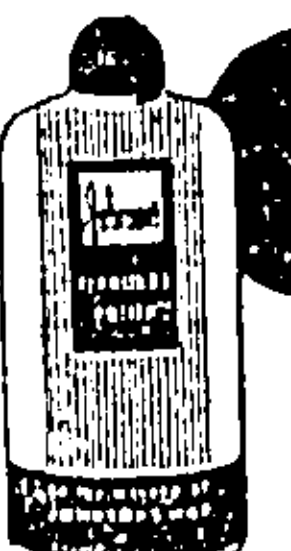
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LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Six thousand New Zealanders will be chosen by ballot from the new Territorial Force. They will be chosen out of 10,000 men who are liable to military service.

Other forces will be started in the same way for duty overseas. By the end of the year, New Zealand will have sent 1,400 pilots, observers and air gunners to England and Canada. Already there are 1,000 New Zealanders in the R.A.F. and 10,000 more have volunteered as pilots or technicians every year.

Mr. Peter Fraser, the New Zealand Premier, says that when the Empire Air Training Scheme reaches its peak, New Zealand will be supplying 800 fully-trained pilots and 800 technicians every year.

**South Australians.**—The Sydney Mail reports that another batch of South Australians has been called up under the Empire Training Scheme of training as pilots of the Royal Australia Air Force.

## CHINESE SUPPORT WAR FUND

Two generous donations to the War Fund have been received through the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. They are: Chinese Medical Dealers' Association \$1,000, and The Fish Dealers' Guild, \$200.

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## Plans For Invasion

There are those in Great Britain who believe, and seemingly with some reason, that Germany will attempt invasion of the British Isles at many points simultaneously. The enemy is assembling troops in the western fjords of Norway and gathering together a great number of small craft, including motor boats of the Norwegian fishing fleet. It is now estimated that nearly 200,000 German troops are in Norway. Similarly, troops are being concentrated at many points along the Dutch, Belgian and French coasts, with collections of barges and motor-boats and other types of seacraft. If, eventually, there is invasion, the German strategy might well be to attempt it at a number of points on the coasts of the British Isles in the hope that one or more footholds could be established. From the standpoint of defence, that would mean that the enemy would be dispersing his strength. Wherever he attacked he would be met with resistance from the sea, the air and the land. Great Britain's internal communications are so good that troops in sufficient numbers could be sent speedily to any point threatened.

Any destruction that Germany can wreak from the air on the British Isles will be valueless as paving the way to invasion, so long as the Royal Navy controls the seas. The enemy's High Command knows this full well. More and more now, air bombardment is being concentrated on shipping in the Channel and on the naval and merchant vessels. The results cannot be encouraging to the Germans. The extravagant claims they make of destruction of tonnage have been disproved again and again. Their aim is not functioning to anything like its full, successful invasion recedes as a possibility. The air defences of the British Isles have taken the measure of attacks by bombers, no matter how well these are defended by fighters during their raids. All German raids are hit and run efforts. Even their fighters accompanying the bombers do not abide the issue; they are invariably driven off; it is the British who are on the offensive in defence.

All this does not mean that German air attacks will not be intensified. They will, and at all the greater risk. Before however, Germany launches an attack from the sea she must achieve far greater successes in the air than any so far evident. If she contemplates an invasion through the medium of small craft, thousands of these would have to be employed, and therefore the targets they offer would be multiplied. Such a programme would be a venture of despair, and one showing absolute disregard for loss of life. There is no doubt that Herr Hitler is astute enough to recognise that any unsuccessful attempt at invasion on a large scale which suffered drastic defeat would severely injure his prestige, and put heart of grace in the peoples he has conquered. He may have some novel methods to employ, but they are not apparent, and, in any case, the only method that could succeed would be the landing of sufficient troops and mechanical equipment in the British Isles to gain a victory. What that would mean in the way of shipping or in aerial transport, can be readily envisaged. Moreover, it

could only be a piecemeal venture which could be met and defeated in a piecemeal manner. It is significant, even now, at a time when Germany still possesses numerical superiority in the air, that it is the Royal Air Force that shows the greater initiative, daring and skill, and is inflicting far more damage on Germany's military and naval establishments than is being done by the enemy in reprisal. Great Britain is more and more taking the offensive in the air with the weapon which Germany has claimed will lead to the downfall of the British Empire.

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## Filipinos Doubt Defence Strength

BY RICHARD C. WILSON  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MANILA, Sept. 26 (UP).—Filipino efforts to make the Philippines safe from military invasion by the time the United States grants the islands independence in 1946 have been abandoned, informed sources revealed to-day.

Germany's smashing victories in Europe has welcomed the sending of U. S. Army conscripts to the Philippines for training. The mercurial Filipino president has indicated no change in his avowed desire to see the islands become completely independent in 1946, although he has made few remarks publicly of late about independence.

First steps toward closer co-ordination of Philippine Commonwealth armed forces and those of the United States in the islands were believed to have been taken during recent conferences between Commonwealth President Manuel L. Quezon, U. S. High Commissioner Francis B. Sayre and Maj. Gen. George Grunert, commander of the U. S. Army's Philippine Department.

Maj. Gen. Douglas MacArthur, former U. S. Army chief of staff and for the last five years military adviser to Quezon, did not participate in the conferences.

MacArthur's plan for making the Philippines safe from aggression after 1946 has been sharply curtailed. Instituted in 1936, the MacArthur programme was being carried out independent of American schemes for defending the islands prior to their independence in 1946. Instead of training 40,000 men annually, as provided in MacArthur's plan, the Commonwealth has decided to train but 20,000 each year.

Quezon is understood to have informed Washington that the Commonwealth government desires to co-operate fully with the

government could afford the cost of the armaments necessary to defend 7,000 islands.

General MacArthur's programme was based on the thesis that the islands could be defended through a mass training programme in which every man would be a potential fighter. But the anomaly of the situation became apparent after the Nazi invasion of the Low countries last May.

Even though the islands possessed a huge trained army, this would be helpless unless equipped with modern arms. The Philippine Army possesses a "navy" composed of two 55-foot torpedo boats, a flying force of about 35 small planes, and no large coastal guns. Quezon frankly doubted his



Working quietly, the U. S. Army substantially increased the number of technicians and aviation personnel. Nichols Field, on the outskirts of Manila, has become a beehive of activity with dozens of new army planes arriving each month.

Although two additional barracks were recently built to house the enlarged personnel, many non-commissioned officers must live in nearby Paranaque. All available living quarters at Fort Stotsenburg, 57 miles north of Manila, are reported filled.

Differing from MacArthur's programme of large infantry detachments, the U. S. Army's scheme of defence appears to be based on small, well-trained and highly mobile units, backed by an air force. These units travel in caravans of speedy trucks which also tow field guns and other weapons. Much mobile equipment has been received here in recent months.

What effect the Commonwealth government's revision in its military programme will have on General MacArthur's status as military adviser to Quezon has become a subject of conjecture among Manilaans.

MacArthur came to Manila early in 1936 following his retirement as U. S. Army chief of staff. Shortly after he instituted his defence programme for the Commonwealth government, Quezon appointed him Field Marshal in the Philippine Army.

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## LEARN TO BE A SNIPER

First—judge your distance

By George Millar

A LIFE-SIZE cardboard man knelt under the juniper tree, his eyesless "face" peering between two bracken clumps out over the brown heath. Six rifle shots, six black holes jumped into the yellow face. Larks whirled up over the heath, otherwise there was no sign of life.

Six young officers, two of them Australians, lay on the firing line, faces clamped down on cheekpads, senses centred on telescopic sights, trigger fingers gently squeezing. Each rifle spat six rounds at the nine-inch black square on each target, 100 yards away.

Four of the men had 1½ inch groups—officially "perfect" shooting—and the instructor told me that earlier in the morning there had been a half-inch group.

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mean more German victims for L.D.V. rifles. Fifty yards under-estimation of the range means that your bullet strikes 4½ ins. low at 300 yards. Fifty yards over-estimation and it flies 3 ins. high. That might easily mean the difference between a Boche helmet and the space between a Nazi's eyes.

For distances greater than 300 yards it is best to use the "appearance method." Space out men at distances from 300 to 600 yards and get your section familiarised with the look of them and other objects of more or less standard size—like the doorways of houses near them. You will see that at 400 a man's body outline remains firm, but his face is blurred, at 600 his head is a dot, his body a post.

THERE are four other proved "aids" you can use to help you set your sights accurately. They are:—(1) Halve the distance. Judge the half distance. Multiply by two. (2) Take the shortest estimate in your section or group of men, then take the longest estimate and take the mean estimate as your range. They call this "bracketing."

(3) Get each man to make an estimate, then take the average. (4) Most accurate of all. If you have a good map—use it.

One of the instructors at the Sniping School said to me, "The rifle power possibilities of the L.D.V. are absolutely enormous. The men themselves know it. Last Saturday I heard 2,000 of them turned up at a certain range. Now this is how I would organise their rifle power."

"ON each L.D.V. sector I would pick a number of firing points, covering if possible the whole sector. In each firing point I would fix board the range cards set on them marking ranges of trees, houses, walls, roads, bridges.

"The firing points would not need to be occupied. But when the alarm came, the commander would order his men to whichever points covered the area. The men would get to their station, sight the enemy, know his exact range. Money for jam."

"There is a tendency now to sneer at the rifle. Your sub-machine-guns are useless except at short ranges, at ranges even greater than 1,000 yards, will get results."

Thorough practice in this will

## AMERICANS IN ORIENT

Evacuation Report Unconfirmed

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# CHURCHILL SPEECH SUBJECT OF LOCAL COURT ACTION

The unauthorised publication in the "Shek Shan Po," a Chinese newspaper, on September 13, of a speech by the Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, led to separate summonses being brought by Reuters Ltd., against Tang Tin-fu, publisher of the newspaper, and Ling Chung-hok, editor.

They were summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy this morning, for unlawfully publishing or causing to be published in the "Shek Shan Po" at 54 Lyndhurst Terrace, a translation in substance in the Chinese language of a message containing a speech by Mr. Winston Churchill received by Reuters Ltd., from London for publication to their subscribers.

Tang appeared and pleaded guilty on behalf of Ling and himself.

Mr. M. W. Lo, for Reuters, said that the summonses were taken out under Section 6 of the Telecommunications Ordinance of 1936, the object of which was to give protection to news received by cable in the Colony from being published within 30 hours, unless the person concerned had the consent of the receivers. In the present case, the "Shek Shan Po" were not subscribers to Reuters and therefore not entitled to circulation of messages sent by Reuters to their subscribers.

## Charge Not Pressed

The message in question was published the same day by the "Wah Tat Yat Po," another Chinese newspaper and subscribers to Reuters, and defendant's version was practically word for word that in the "Wah Tat Yat Po."

Mr. Lo added that he understood the editor of the "Shek Shan Po" had now offered to become subscribers to Reuters, who were not pressing the charge, but wished to have a conviction registered against the defendants. Cautioning the defendants, his Worship pointed out that they were liable to a fine of \$250.

## Legislative Council Nomination

The nomination of Mr. T. E. Pearce for the vacancy on the Legislative Council, caused by the temporary absence from the Colony of Sir Henry Pollock, was submitted yesterday.

Mr. Pearce was nominated by the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, seconded by the Hon. Mr. Stanley Dodwell.

## Status Of Neutrality Abandoned By Finland Passage To German Troops

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Finland has committed a grave breach of neutrality. She now is following the example of Sweden in allowing the passage of German troops and supplies to Norway through her territory.

An official Helsinki announcement says the movements of German troops and transport of German supplies are taking place between northern Norway and northern Finland subject to certain conditions and control measures.

A Finnish Government spokesman compared them with the transport facilities granted by Sweden last July.

## AMERICANS SAID AIDING NAZIS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Sept. 25 (UP).—According to the New York "Daily News", the Axis Powers are receiving \$10,000,000 worth of vital war materials monthly through Spain, Portugal, Mexico, Cuba and Russia.

These supplies include copper, oil, cotton and machinery, asserts the paper, which also alleges that influential American business firms have been sponsoring Axis purchasing agents.

## BRITISH MISSION TO S. AMERICA

Brazilians Entertain

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—The Brazilian Ambassador gave a luncheon at the Embassy to-day in honour of Lord Willingdon who is heading the British Economic Mission to South America.

In addition to Lord and Lady Willingdon, others present included Mr. R. H. Brand, members of the Mission, representatives of the Foreign Office and other Government departments.

## King Inspects The Home Guard



The King paid a visit of inspection to Essex L.D.V.s recently. Here are some of the men marching past.

## Thirty Fires In Calais Docks

## R.A.F. Raids Hitler's Big Power Stations Invasion Bases Attacked

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—The Finkenheerd power station, 300 miles from Germany's western frontier, was located at 10.30 p.m. and twice attacked with high explosive bombs.

The bombs were seen to burst in and around the target, states the Air Ministry news service, describing R.A.F. raids last night on enemy power stations, aerodromes and seaports.

The Hanover aerodrome was bombed from a high level but at The Hague a British raid came down to 2,000 feet and dropped bombs on the hangar and runway. Night flying by the enemy was in progress at the time of the attack. A parachute flare revealed the wreckage of a hangar destroyed in a previous attack.

### Calais Docks Attacked

Other forces of bombers operating at short range kept up the night hammering of enemy invasion ports, while these long distance raids were being carried out, from Hamburg to Le Havre. The Calais docks were subjected to a series of attacks lasting nearly seven hours.

Barges lying alongside quays, and quays were hit, fires and explosions were seen in many parts of the harbour and searchlight batteries on the quays were machine-gunned and extinguished.

Before 3 a.m. to-day over 30 fires

were burning within the docks, two being seen far out to sea.

Raids on Le Havre continued intermittently over the same length of time.

Violent explosions marked a direct hit on what appeared to be the harbour power station.

German long range gun positions at Cap Gris Nez were attacked shortly before dawn and a number of hits were registered on emplacements under construction.

## AMERICANS WHO WANT TO HELP

BOSTON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—The National Defence Committee of the American Legion to-day recommended that the United States should give "all practicable aid to Britain."

They further urged that a permanent military system be established in the United States and a programme adopted which in effect declares war on all subversive activities.

The Committee ask for rigid control of all aliens in the country.

## GERMAN CONVOY ATTACKED BY R.A.F.

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).

Further operations to-day by aircraft of the Coastal Command were described by the Air Ministry news service.

A bulletin issued to-day states that a Hudson aircraft sank a German supply ship near the Frisian Islands early this morning.

There were three enemy vessels in company and the Hudson made a dive-bombing attack on the largest one, which was leading. Three bombs made direct hits. The ship was settling down by the stern when the Hudson flew away followed by anti-aircraft fire from the two other vessels.

### Brest Attacked

Brest was again attacked, this time by Beauforts and Anson aircraft. They set fire to infantry barracks, damaged the docks and started a vast fire on and around the railway sidings.

When Blenheims raided Cherbourg they had to contend with extremely bad visibility but all found their objectives.

## GANDHI CRITICISED

Mr. Amery's Declaration

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Regret that leaders of the Indian National Congress had rejected the Viceroy's offer was expressed by Mr. L. S. Amery, Secretary for India and Burma, in a speech in London.

Mr. Amery said: "I fully recognise the sincerity of Gandhi's pacifist convictions. The practical question is: How is he to reconcile his demand on his own behalf and on behalf of Congress, of freedom to voice this conviction, with his own statement which I sincerely welcome, that he does not wish to embarrass the Government in its conduct of the war."

### To Meet Viceroy

Referring to the coming interview between Lord Linlithgow and Gandhi, Mr. Amery expressed the hope that the outcome might be agreement both with Gandhi's conscientious objections to war in general and with the Viceroy's no less conscientious conviction and duty to allow nothing to stand in the way of India's whole-hearted effort to play her part in the struggle which concerned her present welfare and security and the ideals which her peoples held dear.

## Families To Leave Parts Of London

Too Many People In A.R.P. Shelters

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).

The British Government has decided on a new scheme for taking mothers and children out of the worst hit areas of London, even in cases where their homes are not damaged.

By keeping families together, it is expected that some of the prejudice against leaving will be removed.

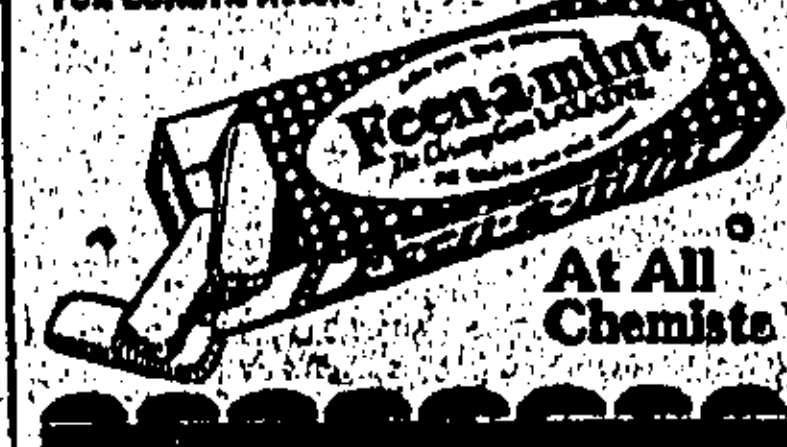
At present, nearly half the school children are still at home. The scheme is not entirely due to the dangers of bombing, which have been found to be far less than expected. The Government has in mind the dangers of health when people have to spend most of the night in crowded shelters.

The plan is in addition to the one already in operation of moving homeless people and their families out of London.

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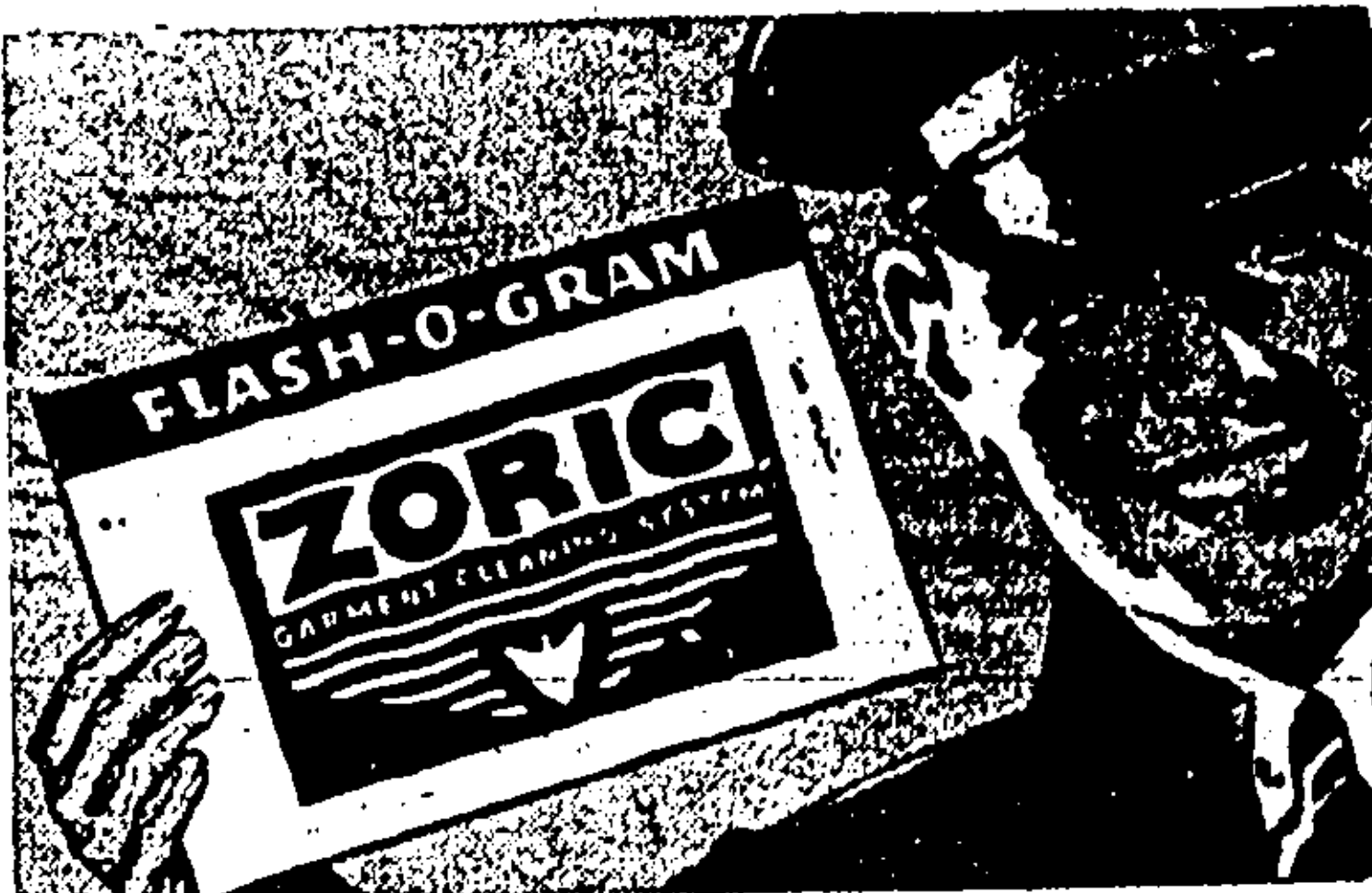
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# NG NIN BREAKS BREAST-STROKE RECORD

## Chan Chun-nam Wins 220 Yards Free-style By Touch

### V. Churn, J. Anderson And Ko Mui-ling In Thrilling Fifty Yards Sprint

(By "Tinker")

A SECOND COLONY RECORD went by the board yesterday—the first day of the Colony Swimming Championships at the V.R.C.—when Ng Nin lowered Enrique Chaine's 1939 time for the 100 yards breast-stroke by 1.2/5 secs., recording a new time of 70 seconds.

This, however, was quite up to expectations, but in the 220 yards free-style event, wherein Ng Nin and Chan Chun-nam met for the first time, the thrilling neck-and-neck struggle between these two over the last length and a half had the spectators standing. The time was nothing brilliant, in fact, Chan Chun-nam, the winner, failed to improve on his time recorded in the heats, returning 2 mins. 32.1/5 secs.

In respect of time, it was a badly judged race. Ng Nin, Chan and Charles Huang, who was third in 2 mins. 35.4/6 secs., went off for 28 secs. for the 50 yards and 61.3/6 secs. for the 100 yards. And this killing start undoubtedly was the cause of the comparatively poor time returned.

But it was as great a race as ever will be seen in the V.R.C. again. You Sai-kwan was left far behind at the end of the first 100 yards, at which stage Ng Nin, Charles Huang and Chan (in that order) were separated by about a yard. The spectators were maintained over the first 50 yards, and then Chan continued his great final sprint that took him first in and then just Huang, and then level with Ng Nin.

Pandemonium was let loose over the last 20 yards when Chan and Ng Nin were neck-to-neck. Neither could gain the inch or two that would have made the difference, until at the post Chan first managed to slip his hand home first.

Thus ended the first meeting between these two great swimmers. Charles Huang was a very good third.

#### Breast-stroke Record

Ng Nin's record in the breast-stroke was made through the use of the butterfly stroke. Luis M. Remedios battled level with him for the 50 yards, but thereafter faded away and fought a great fight with Ho Poon-kun (3rd) and Fong Chong-yue (4th). Only a touch separated these last three men.

Fong, with the normal stroke, put up a superb challenge for the 50 yards and was only a yard behind at that time. He was another yard or so further back.

Surged in the correct word to describe how Ng Nin went into the lead over the second two lengths, and his powerful strokes brought him in four seconds ahead of Remedios.

#### Women's 50 Free-style

THOUGH the time-keepers clocked Miss V. Churn 4/6 second ahead of Miss Ko Mui-ling in the women's 50 yards free-style, to the eye the finish seemed only one of touches. Certainly only the smallest fractions of a second separated Miss Ko, Miss J. Anderson and Miss Ho Wai-ling.

Incidentally, a typographical error in the programme makes Miss Ho into a married woman though she is only 19 years of age.

Miss Ko touched the wall first and was followed closely by Miss Ho, Miss Churn and Miss J. Anderson, but in the last lap Miss Churn moved into the lead and came in first by a foot at the out-off.

Miss Anderson lived up to the promise of her head race, and swam a fine race for third place.

#### Women's Back-stroke

THERE was only one girl in the back-stroke over 100 yards. Miss L. Badick was several yards in the lead at the end of the first 50 yards, and eventually won by five or six in 85 seconds.

Miss Tsang Fung-kwan, Miss Lee Chuk-wah and Miss L. Lopes shared in a fine struggle over the last two lengths, and Miss Lee, who was lying third, dropped out of the swimming when she failed badly at the last turn.

#### Women's Relay

V.R.C. "A" were without opposition in the women's

#### Finals and Finalists For Events To-day

The following are the final events and the competitors taking part this evening, commencing at 6.15 p.m.:

Men's 50 yds. free-style: Ng Nin, D. Hutchinson, D. H. Taylor, Ng Tsun-man and Fung Kwai-sang.  
Women's 100 yds. breast-stroke: Ho Wai-ling, Au Mei-chuen, Li Po-luen, V. Churn and Ko Mui-ling.  
Boys' 100 yds. free-style: J. Gomes, C. A. Yvanovich and John Tai.  
Men's 440 yds. free-style: Ng Nin, Chan Chun-nam, C. Huang, Mak Wai-ling and Yau Sai-kwan.  
Women's 150 yds. Medley Relay: Chung Sing, H.K. University, Lai Tsun, Chinese B.C. and V.R.C.  
Men's 150 yds. Medley Relay: Chung Sing, H.K. University, V.R.C. "A" and V.R.C. "B".

## TIGERS NOSE OUT WHITE SOX

NEW YORK, Sept. 25 (UP).—Detroit Tigers increased their leading percentage in the American League to-day when they nosed out the Chicago White Sox 10-9. Scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE		R		H		E	
Chicago	Lee, Brown, Tresh	9	17	3			
Batteries	Bridge, Benton, Trout, Newsum, Tebbets	10	16	3			
St. Louis	Kennedy, Swift	2	6	1			
Batteries	Doyle, Shoun, Owen	4	7	0			
Cleveland	Milner, Pytlak	2	8	0			
Batteries	Rickey, Turner	3	8	0			
Detroit	Newsum, Sullivan	3	8	0			

NATIONAL LEAGUE		R		H		E	
Cincinnati	Thompson, West	1	12	2			
Batteries	Doyle, Shoun, Owen	4	7	0			
Pittsburgh	Sewell, Schultz, Davis	1	6	2			
Batteries	Lee, McCulloch	3	12	1			
Chicago	Walters, Baker	4	8	0			
Batteries	Hutchinson, M. Cooper, W. Cooper	4	11	1			
Pittsburgh	Brown, Dietz, Davis	6	11	1			
Batteries	Olsen, Radtzenberger, Todd	6	11	1			

## Bowls Championship OPEN SINGLES MATCHES

SEVERAL MATCHES in the Lawn Bowls Singles championship were played yesterday.

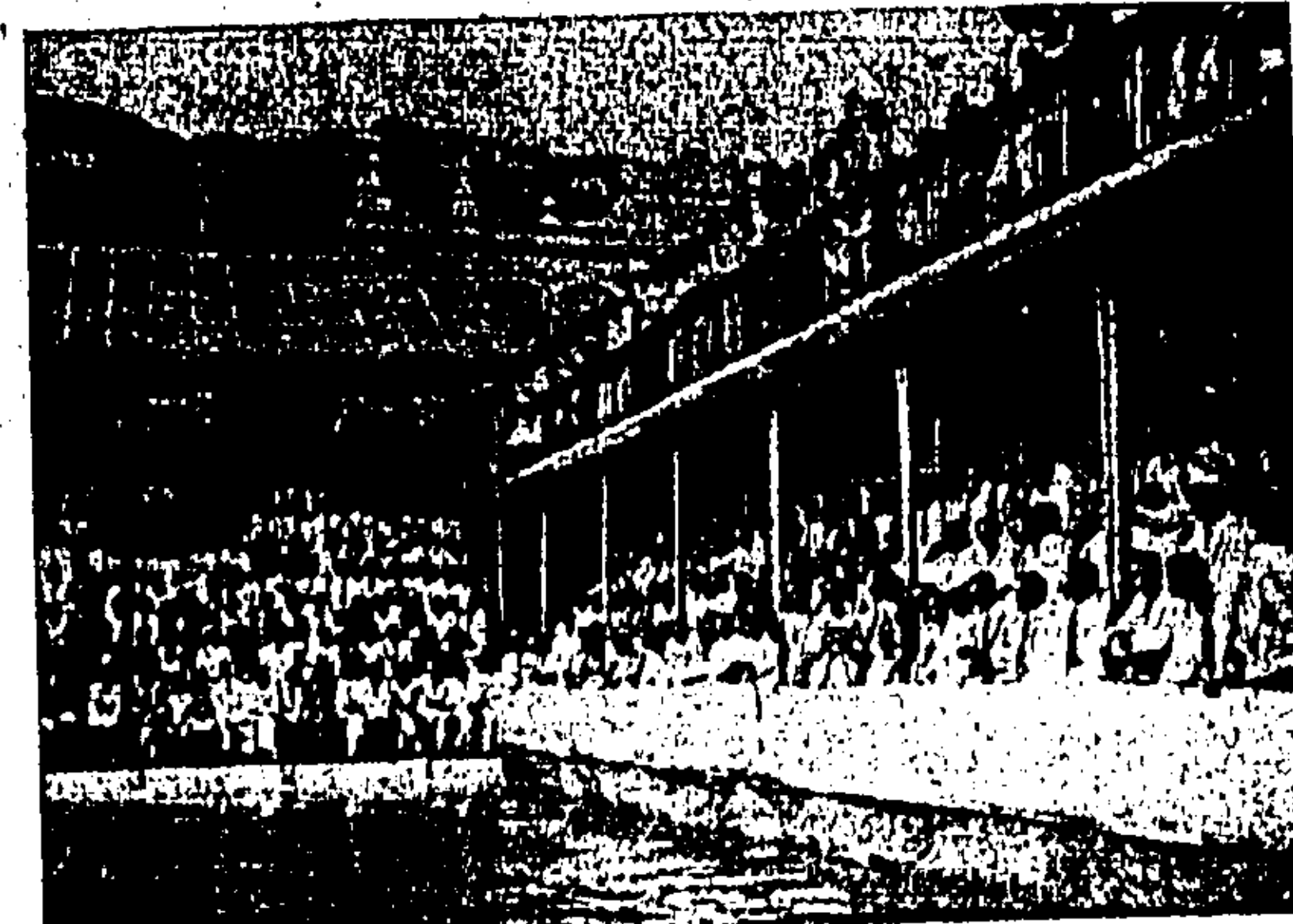
Two outstanding victories of the day were those of W. Gill over M. Medina at the Civil Service C.C., and A. Hyde-Lay over A. W. Hickock at Craigen-gower. The first named won 21-3 and the second 21-4.

At the Kowloon B.C.C. was a more even game. W. K. Way beat W. Simpson 21-16 on the 23rd end. Way scored two 4's. One on the 17th end to draw level at 13-all, and the other on the 23rd end to win!

Complete scores were:  
Civil Service C.C.  
W. Gill beat M. Medina 21-3 on the 14th end; R. Bass beat A. H. Rumlan 22-10 on the 22nd end.  
Craigen-gower C.C.  
A. Hyde-Lay beat A. W. Hickock 21-4 on the 10th end.

Kowloon B.C.C.  
A. M. Holland beat C. E. Marques 21-10 on the 10th end.

Kowloon B.C.C.  
W. K. Way beat W. Simpson 21-16 on the 23rd end; C. G. Silva beat Y. H. Tang 21-12 on the 17th.



#### Football Meeting

## EASTERN FORFEIT POINTS TO SING TAO

### Police And R.A.S.C. Fined

THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE of the Hongkong Football Assn. had many matters to deal with at their meeting last night. Mr. W. E. Hollands was in the Chair, and the first case for consideration was that of the postponed Eastern-Sing Tao match.

Eastern, who failed to field a team, explained that owing to the sudden transfer of several players they were unable to raise an XI. Findings were against them, and they were ordered to forfeit two points to their opponents and were fined \$20.

Eastern's 2nd XI were permitted to withdraw from the Second Division and their fixtures will be taken over by the Royal Navy, who are granted entry to that division.

UNREGISTERED PLAYERS  
The playing of unregistered players resulted in fines for both the Police and the R.A.S.C. Police were fined \$10 for turning out with three unregistered men against the Royal Navy and R.A.S.C., while R.A.S.C. were fined \$5 for the same infringement in respect of one player against Shell.

A meeting of the Emergency Committee followed to consider the case of Tao Kwai-shing, who was sent off the field for dangerous play in the South China match against the Royal Scots.

The case was postponed when Tao did not appear, but Tao is not allowed to play soccer in the meanwhile.

#### Double Tenth Match

A MATCH will be played between the Chinese and the Rest of the Colony on the Club ground at 4 p.m. on October 10, the proceeds to be for the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China.

## SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The picture below gives an idea of the crowd that is attending at the Victoria Recreation Club for the current Colony Swimming Championships. Stands and balconies are packed to the limit.

To the left is a picture of Lionel Rosa-Perella, Colony diving champion, giving an exhibition during yesterday's programme, in conjunction with Ed. da Rosa—Staff Photographer.

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"Rather early in the morning for tree felling, isn't it?"

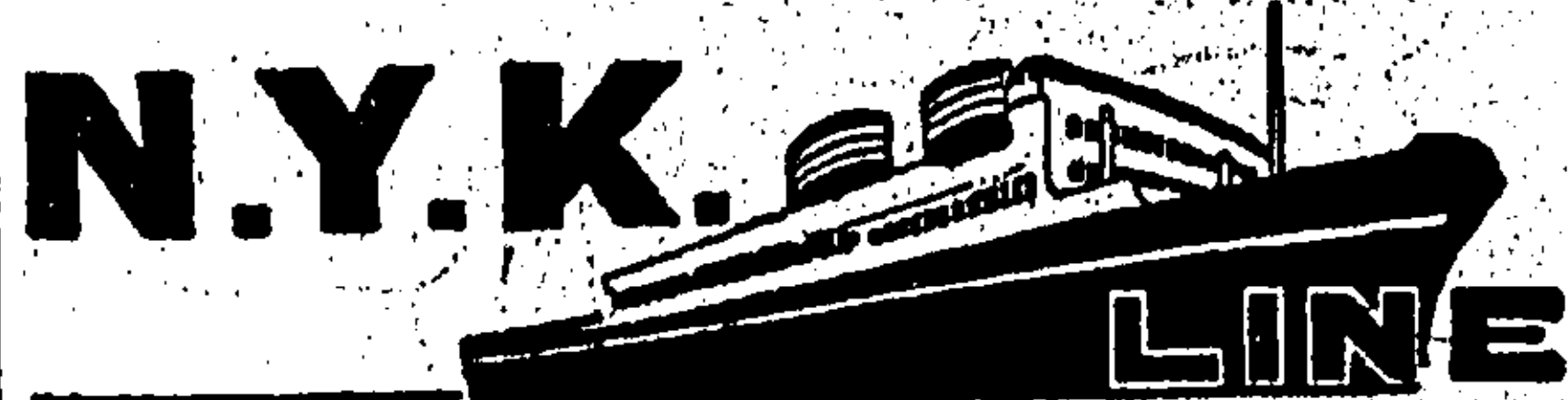
"The early woodcutter gets the first tree, you know. Besides—it's an ugly tree. There's something offensive about that tree. Come to think of it, it rather reminds me of you, Bertie."

"Well—I must confess I didn't expect to see you chopping trees this morning and smoking a

whacking big black cheroot. Not after last night..."

"I don't like the way you say 'not after last night.' I detect a certain envy in the tone—a certain undercurrent of bitterness. You ought to be overjoyed to see me absolutely bristling with joy-de-vivre."

"I merely marvel at your powers of recovery."  
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#### "Y" Hockey XI's

The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. in hockey matches this week (at King's Park):

Friday: "A" v. Royal Signals (4.30 p.m.)—V. M. Benwell, Fifteen and Sixty; Fishlock, Pennington and Waldron; Smith, Gilchrist, Taylor, Dunne and Highlands.  
Saturday: 1st XI v. Khalsa (4.30 p.m.)—V. M. Benwell, Jordan and Yurkoff; Coombe, Pennington and Waldron; Smith, Gilchrist, Taylor, Dunne and Highlands.  
Sunday: 2nd XI v. Varsity XI (3 p.m.)—Fishlock, Heptonstall and Saxby; Spenceley, Tomlinson and Cornan; Macey, Dorrner, Smith, Brown and Jeffrey.

## Undisputed Champion Of The World

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Lou Salica, world bantamweight champion according to the New York State Athletic Commission, to-night outpointed the National Boxing Association champion, George Feneo, over 15 rounds and became undisputed world champion.

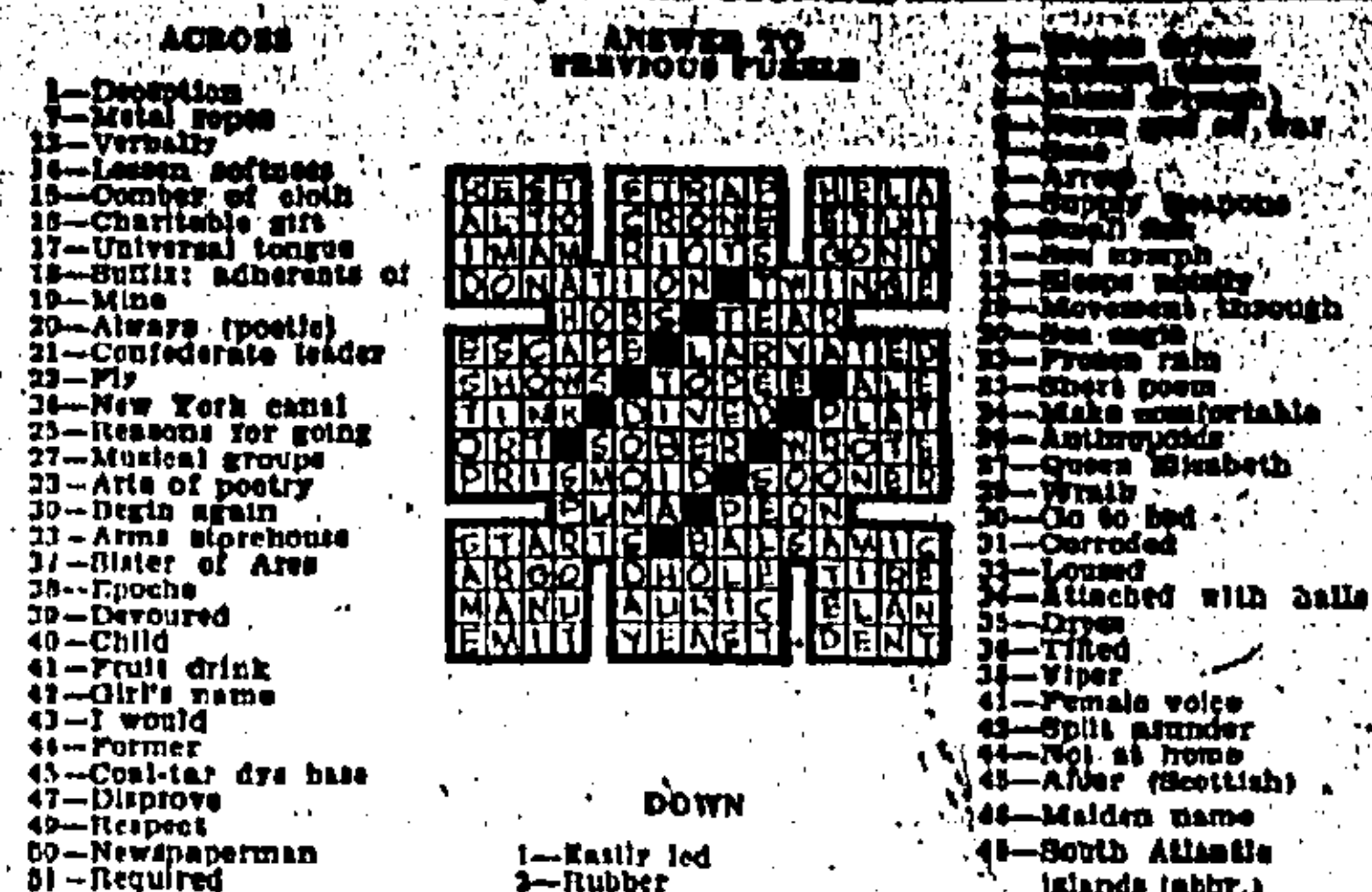


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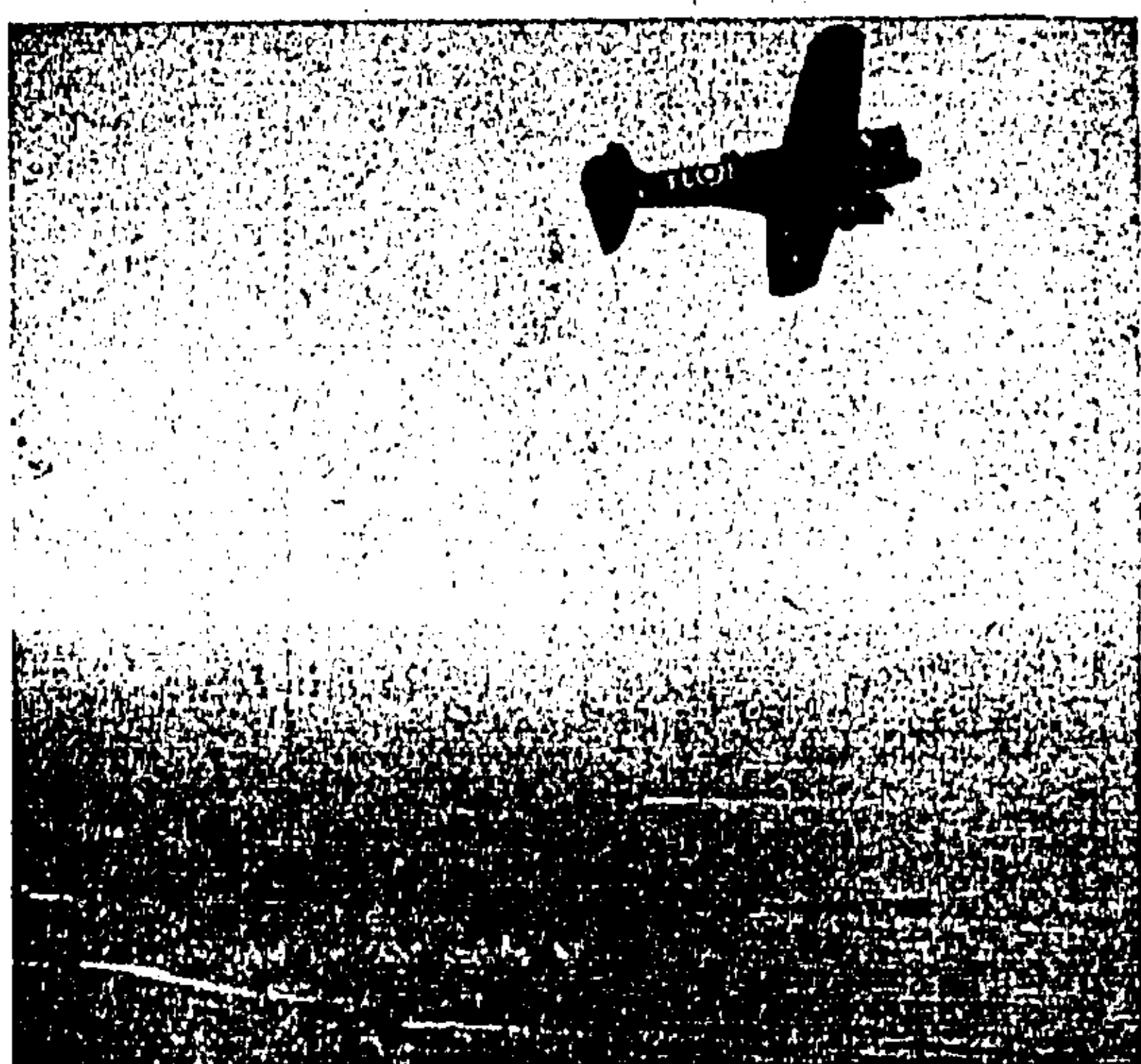


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## Air Services Suspended

It is officially announced by Imperial Airways that owing to the situation in Indo-China air services between Indo-China and Hongkong are indefinitely suspended.

## New Zealand Army Appointment

WELLINGTON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Major-General Sir Andrew Russell, participated in the Dardanelles campaign, has been appointed Inspector-General of the New Zealand military forces.

## FRANCO TO SEE IL DUCE

Spain And The War  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BERLIN, Sept. 25 (Domei).—It is reliably reported that General Francisco Franco is proceeding to Rome shortly in order to confer with Sig. Mussolini regarding the Spanish participation in the war.

Spain's war role was reported to have been fully discussed in Berlin this afternoon when General Suner, the visiting Spanish Interior Minister, was received by Chancellor Hitler in the presence of Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister.

May Soon Enter War  
ROME, Sept. 25 (Domei).—The "Popolo di Roma" to-day hints that Spain will soon decide to enter the war on the side of the Axis powers. The paper declared: "Italy with happiness welcomes Spain's truly historic decision and her solidarity with those warring against Spain's historic enemy."

"Spain is closing the circle against England and is regaining her active role in the Mediterranean and in Africa." According to well-informed circles, Spain's entry into the war was discussed in Berlin between Hitler, Herr von Ribbentrop and General Suner the Spanish Home Minister.

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8.0 London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.  
9.45 A Grand Variety Programme  
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## Singapore Detentions Minister's Promise

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—It is understood that the detention of Japanese subjects in Singapore was one of the matters raised in the conversation on general questions affecting the interests of Britain and Japan which the Japanese Ambassador had at the Foreign Office with the Under-Secretary of State, Mr. R. A. Butler.

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## CHINESE KILLED

Accidental Death Is Coroner's Verdict

At Kowloon Magistrate's court today, Mr. E. Hingworth conducted an inquiry into the death of an unidentified boy who was knocked down by a motor car driven by Acting Sub-Inspector F. H. Kelly in the Mongkok district on August 26.

No jury was empanelled. Mr. Kelly said that at 7.40 p.m. on August 26 he was driving car No. 2078 in Nathan Road, near the Mongkok Police Station, at a speed of 25 miles an hour and approximately eight feet from the left side channel. A Chinese suddenly ran across the front of the car, the horn of which was sounded.

Witness said that he swerved but apparently the Chinese did not hear the horn for he continued running and was knocked down. The car was stopped and the Chinese, who was unconscious, was sent to the Kowloon Hospital. At the time of the accident there was slight rain.

Dr. H. T. Bee of the Kowloon Hospital said that cause of death was shock from a ruptured spleen and fracture of the femur.

Sgt. Gaval said he was in the car with Mr. Kelly. He corroborated Mr. Kelly's evidence.

Traffic Sub-Inspector Tsai said he tried to find witnesses of the accident but failed.

Traffic Sergeant M. Clarke said he tested Mr. Kelly's car and found it makes to be in a good condition. Mr. Hingworth returned a verdict of death by misadventure.

## Italy To Join New Alliance

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—SHANGHAI, Sept. 26 (UP).—It is authoritatively reported from Tokyo that Italy is to become a signatory to the J. P. M. German-German alliance.

The alliance, which envisages action by the Japanese in the event of Anglo-U.S. collaboration in the Far East, has as yet only been agreed upon in principle.

Private Aircraft Factory Ordered in India

SINLA, Sept. 25 (Reuters).—Mr. Frederick Tynms, Director of Civil Aviation in India, who is in the United States, is engaged, it is learned, in endeavouring to secure material for the construction of an aircraft factory in India.

It is understood that the proposed factory would be privately owned but that Mr. Tynms has promised a substantial order to the Indian Government.

## LATE NEWS

## European Police Sgt. Charged

Lt. Sgt. Charles Blackburn of the Hongkong Police appeared before Mr. T. C. Lowe at the Central Magistrate's court this afternoon, charged with the manslaughter of Wong Shau-yl, a Chinese police constable.

Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios appeared for Blackburn, while Mr. J. T. Murphy, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted and Mr. Hing Shing-to held a watching brief for the deceased's relatives.

Mr. Murphy said that Blackburn stopped a crowded bus near the Hongkong Bank on September 12. Inside the bus were deceased and an Indian constable. Accused told both men to get off the bus. The Indian constable did so and after walking a few yards away heard a commotion and turned round to see accused and deceased in a heated argument. He then saw accused strike deceased, who fell to the ground and did not get up. Wong was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital where he died two days later from a fractured skull, lacerations of the brain and haemorrhage.

## VICHY CLAIMS RENOWN HIT

### During Raid on Gibraltar

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, Sept. 25 (UP).—The claim that H.M.S. Renown had been hit and obliged to withdraw from Gibraltar as a result of Tuesday's raid is made in an official statement by the Vichy Government.

It is also declared that according to an unconfirmed report an unidentified plane sank a British destroyer off Gibraltar to-day.

According to the French, 100 tons of bombs were dropped on Gibraltar during Tuesday, damaging guns within the fortress.

### Battleships Said Damaged

Referring to the Dakar engagement, the Vichy authorities claim that one of the British battleships which were shelling Dakar were torpedoed at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning and left the combat, listing badly.

French cruisers, it is declared, scored several direct hits on the Barham and Resolution as well as a cruiser of the Kent class.

Similar claims have been made by the French Admiralty at Dakar, which said that damage was inflicted on British warships by the guns of the Richelieu and shore batteries.

### Attack Resumed

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuters).—A Vichy communiqué issued by the French Admiralty, says that the attack on Dakar was resumed just after 9 a.m. to-day.

It adds: "One of the two torpedoed British battleships withdrew from the action with a strong list."

Dealing with yesterday's operations, the communiqué repeats the details of the course of the engagement, our cruisers scored several hits on the Barham and Resolution as well as on a cruiser of the Kent type.

### Tangier Sees Bombs

TANGIER, Sept. 25 (Reuters).—Relays of French bombers passed over Tangier between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. to-day.

The subsequent bombing of Gibraltar was clearly audible here.

### French Continue Air Raids

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuters).—French planes continued to bomb

Gibraltar this morning, according to an Algerian dispatch to the German news agency.

### French Version

VICHY, Sept. 25 (Reuters).—It is officially announced that by way of reprisal, a large French air force bombarded Gibraltar yesterday, dropping 45 tons of bombs on the arsenal and the southern part of the south mole.

A large ship in port was hit. A large number of fires was observed. All the planes returned to their bases despite lively anti-aircraft fire from the British guns.

## Italy Gibes At America

Press Makes Up Racial Issue

ZURICH, Sept. 25 (Reuters).—In complete contrast to the attitude taken in July and August, the whole Italian Press is now indulging in violent attacks on the United States, according to the Rome correspondent of the "Basle National Zeitung."

Whereas formerly the United States was described as a young and powerful nation with which the Axis Powers only wanted to live in peace, she is now called an old nation and it is said that her population increases chiefly because of the coloured and half-breed sections.



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